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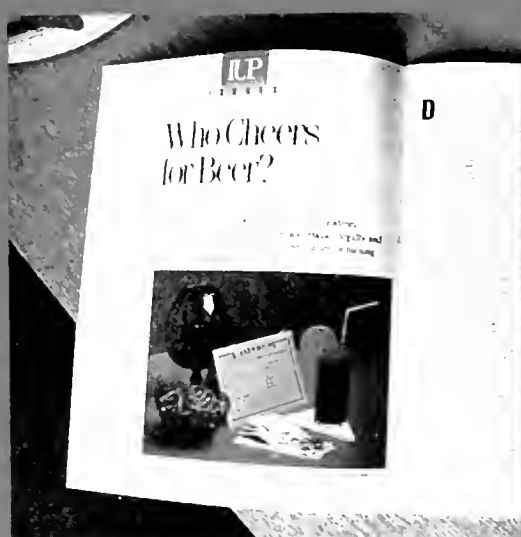
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# An Anchor for Each Life

by Karen Grash



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For all the attention it has been getting lately, adolescent alcohol experimentation ("binge drinking") is by no means a new subject. It is not even new to the pages of IUP Magazine, which in 1990 published a cluster of stories under the compelling title "Who Cheers for Beer?"

Cheering for beer may be one thing; drinking it until it kills you, slowly or quickly, is quite another. Nearly a decade after the magazine's last piece on the subject ran, it may well be that fewer college students are even drinking. Some of those who do use alcohol and/or other drugs, though, are doing so right up to the point where the situation becomes life threatening.

In those terms, keeping yourself and your body under some kind of control may constitute nothing less than the will to live, coupled with the good fortune actually to survive adolescence. It may also speak of having found meaning in one's life, in an event or a time that can serve as an anchor for all that comes after it.

Alcohol is not an issue in all lives, but anchors are. Sixteen years ago, I hosted a small reception for IUP alumni in a beautiful old townhouse on Boston's Commonwealth Avenue. Maybe because I was nervous about the event, I can tell you to this day the name of nearly every graduate who showed up. But the two I remember best were Walter and June Patterson.

The Pattersons were in their mid-seventies at the time. They had taken the train into town from Needham, Mass., where Mr. Patterson served for years as a school administrator. He had been born and raised in Indiana County and had worked his way through what was, by the time he graduated, Indiana State Teachers College. He related with great pride the fact that, as an Indiana student, his 1925-26 relay team had won the Penn Relays—then, as now, the world's largest (and oldest) track meet.

Mr. Patterson was president of the Class of 1928, and he went on to earn advanced degrees from Columbia and the University of Northern Colorado. But you could tell that the defining event in his life was the Penn Relays. When he died this past October, at ninety-two, the success of his relay team was mentioned prominently in his obituary.

Let's hear it for anchors—one for each of us.

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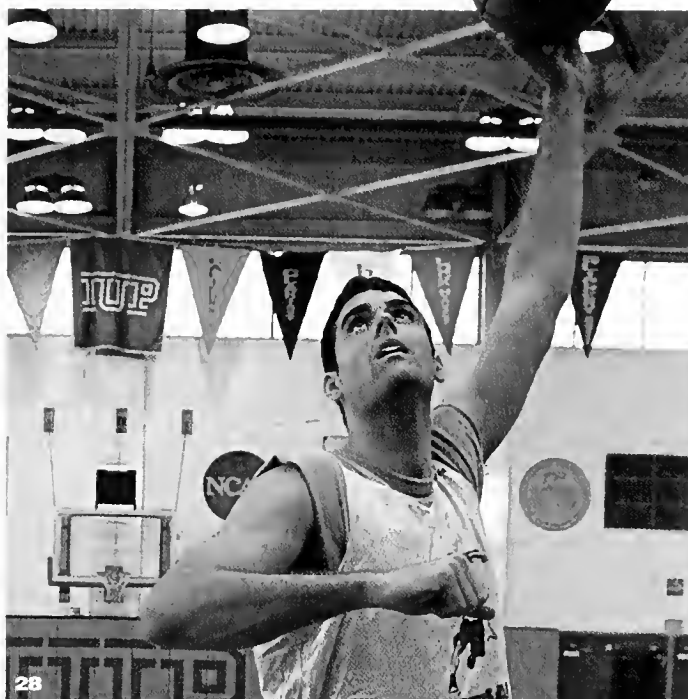


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# Message *in a* Bottle

By Regan Houser

*Robert Ackerman thinks there are some unhealthy attitudes about drinking on campuses.*

**T**he director of the Mid-Atlantic Addiction Training Institute at IUP and a member of the Department of Sociology faculty, Ackerman worries not only about the safety of the students involved in the drinking, but of those around them. He also worries about their futures and, in many cases, blames their pasts. "There is a lot of bravado associated with college and teenage drinking especially among young males, such as, 'How much did you drink?' and 'Boy, did I get wasted last night,'" he said.

Two newspaper accounts reflect the concerns Ackerman feels for college students everywhere.

August 20, 1998: Governor Tom Ridge, speaking at the site of a riot near the campus of Penn State University, announces that \$560,000 in federal and state funding has been allocated to Pennsylvania universities in response to record-high incidents of campus binge drinking. The money, according to an Associated Press report, is to be used in

creating educational programs about binge drinking.

"The conduct was inexcusable. The damage was significant. But underage drinking isn't a unique Penn State problem. It is a cultural problem," Ridge said. According to the news account, Penn State's president, Graham Spanier, said, "It would be naïve and simplistic to assume that we could ever totally eliminate drinking by college students."

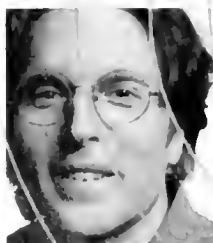
September 28, 1998: IUP's campus newspaper, *the Penn*, covers a presentation made as part of Alcohol Awareness Week. In the same Monday issue, as part of News

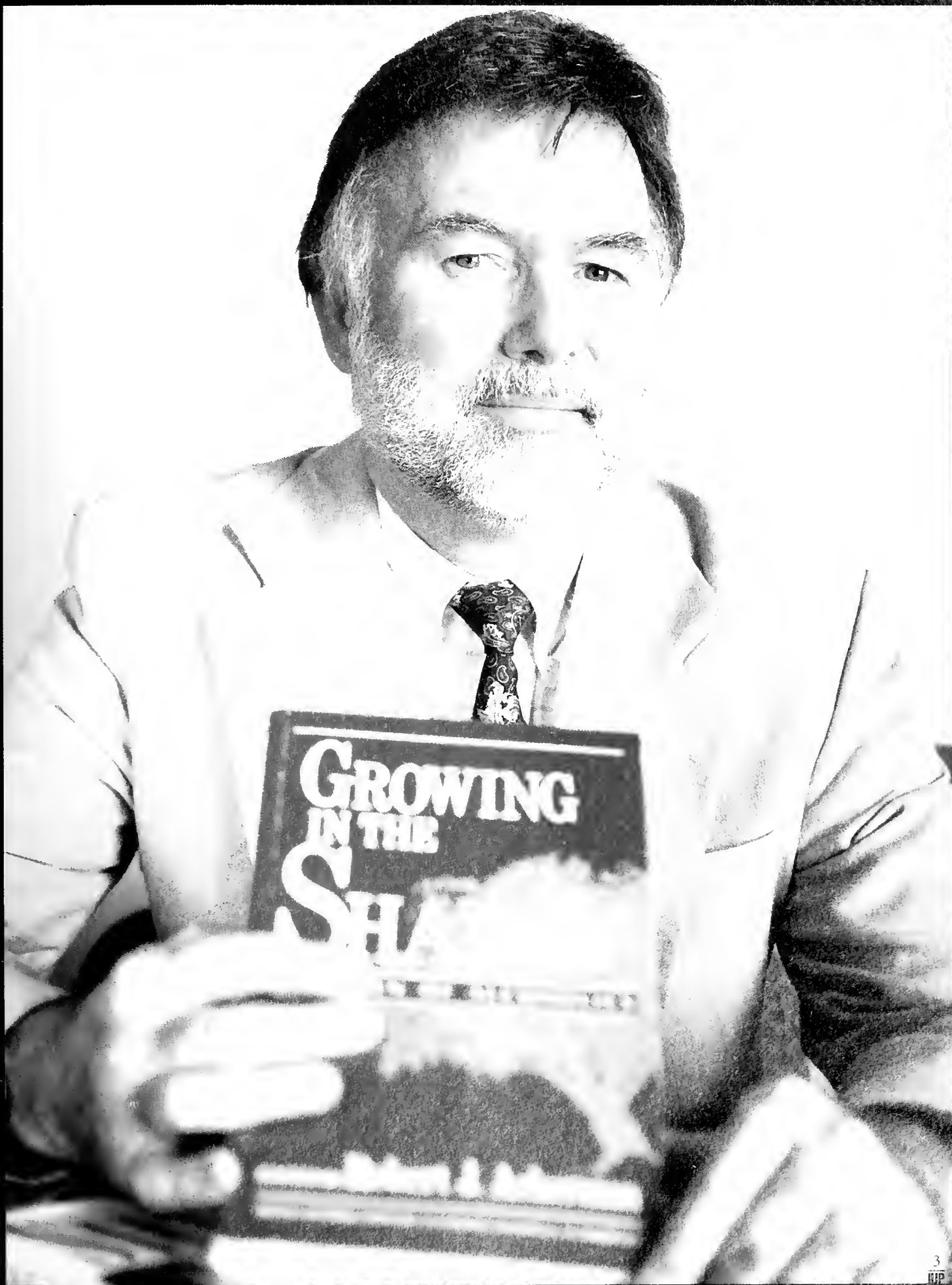
Briefs, it is reported that two men, found unconscious on Philadelphia Street, were cited for public drunkenness over the weekend, and another man was assaulted at a local pub.

Binge drinking on college campuses has been cited in a study conducted by the Harvard School of Public Health as the single most serious public health problem confronting American colleges. While campus officials across the country have for years worked toward educating students—IUP alone has won several awards for its programming—they continue

to scramble to organize new programs and redefine policy to combat the problem.

According to the Harvard study, binge drinking is defined as the consumption of at least five drinks in a row for men or four drinks in a row for women. The results of the epidemic are more than a simple buzz for students. Incidents of unwanted sexual activity, drunk driving, vandalism, serious illness, and even death on many campuses, including IUP's, are concerns. The study, a follow-up to one conducted by the same group of researchers in 1993, showed that the frequency of drunkenness has increased during the last five years, as has drinking to get drunk as the reason.









Ellen Klein, St. Vincent's

This is a public health issue. We have students coming to us—over 80 percent of them—who report they've had some experience with alcohol. So, it's not a learned behavior in college," said Pete Goldsmith, IUP's vice president of Student Affairs. "In the wake of the death we had on campus last year, we looked at our policies. We found what I call a culture toleration around the use and misuse of alcohol on the campus and in the community; that is, if you're in college, it's OK to drink. It's OK to get drunk. It's OK to miss classes. It's OK to engage in behavior that's antithetical to the ideas of an education. So, while we're con-

cerned about underage drinking and binge drinking, we're more concerned about its impact on student success and also the other effects, like vandalism, sexual activity, violence, and death."

Ackerman's opinion correlates with Goldsmith's assessment.

"One of the determinants of college drinking is, obviously, a previous use of alcohol," said Ackerman, who is the author of four books on children of alcoholics. "Other factors are attitudes toward drinking and college life. Students enter college with the idea that once they get there, drinking is what they are supposed to do."

The leader of the Harvard Study, Henry Wechsler, was quoted in newspaper accounts as being disappointed by the results. The second survey conducted by his team of researchers shows that the number of students who binge drink has decreased only 2 percent in the last four years, despite efforts of college and university personnel to educate students about the dangers of excessive drinking.

"The Harvard study, I think, is a good representation of drinking practices by U.S. college students," Ackerman said. "The numbers don't surprise me. What is different and the study could have pointed out is that the numbers of binge drinkers and the patterns of binge drinking by college students are much higher than the general adult populations and their drinking patterns."

Ackerman said about 10 percent of the adult population are utilitarian drinkers, meaning they drink to get drunk, as opposed to social drinkers, who consume much less, or ritualistic drinkers, who drink only as part of religious or ceremonial practices. Utilitarian drinkers want to feel the effect of the alcohol as a way to have fun. The Harvard study finds that 43 percent of the college population drinks to get drunk.

"It's all seen as part of recreation. If you don't get drunk, you didn't experience recreation. How crazy is that for a point of view? We have had the same behavior for years with other drugs. It's called recreational pharmacology," he said.

"I think most students binge drink

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Pete Goldsmith in front of the HUB

# Not for Lack of Effort

**L**ike university officials everywhere, Pete Goldsmith, IUP's vice president for student affairs, and his staff

have spent countless hours developing education and alternative programs for the students.

While Goldsmith is pleased with the slight growth in the number of students who are abstaining from alcohol use, he continues to be concerned with the increased frequency of bingeing by those who do drink. What IUP is doing differently to combat the problem is a matter of being systematic and involving all parties affected by this public health issue, which Goldsmith believes is not confined to the university. It is everyone's problem.

As a result of a summit on alcohol held last year with IUP and Indiana community members and law enforcement and health agencies, Goldsmith and his staff have studied activities schedules and have changed the times of some events to coincide with when students say their night life begins: later. The Student Activities and Organizations Office maintains an electronic publication called the Weekender, which lists on the web all current activities. In addition, IUP's portion of Governor Tom Ridge's \$560,000 commitment—about \$15,000—will be used toward strengthening alternative programming. Goldsmith said his staff developed a \$60,000 budget for this purpose and will apply for supplemental grants to obtain the balance of the funding.

Local tavern owners have been very cooperative, Goldsmith says, considering they are in business to sell alcohol. They are toughening up by no longer allowing patrons to chug twenty-one shots on their twenty-first birthdays, an almost unbelievable yet common practice of college students. One bar owner in particular has placed a bounty on false identification cards and pays bouncers extra for confiscating them.

Things have toughened up on campus, too. While policies have not changed, they are now being enforced a little differently.

"We now are arresting any student who is caught drinking underage on campus. Before, we didn't always do that. We think it's an educational process. If we can inter-

vene, and the student can correct the problem, then our educational goals have been met, and the student's goals have been met," Goldsmith said.

"We will suspend a student who has been found guilty of providing alcohol to an underage student. We sent a letter home to all parents of incoming students, letting them know we were going to do this, and notice appeared in the registration issue of *the Penn*. We've said to students this is really about student success. This really is a public health issue."

The university also sponsors a peer mentoring program, which, among a variety of topics, addresses alcohol and drug abuse. According to Malinda Levis Cowles '80, M'87, IUP's health education coordinator, the program recruits students to educate students. Volunteers receive extensive training before they are allowed to begin their work.

If there is one group Goldsmith feels he has not reached in his effort to retard binge drinking, it's alumni.

"Alumni remember the way it used to be, when they used to have multi-keg events in their fraternity houses or in the community somewhere. I worry that alumni come back and expect these things and put a lot of pressure on the students, particularly those in fraternities and sororities....The stories about college days tend to get better with the telling. I believe older alumni—folks with some experience—can say, 'Look, this wasn't such a good idea.'"

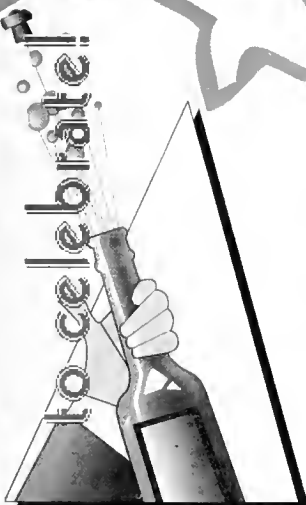
"I think the assumption is that college years are supposed to be the time when you let loose, and, when you become a senior, you'll straighten up and fly right and not have any resulting problems. Obviously, when your drinking in college becomes habitual, it's not easy to quit. I think we need some testimonials from alumni about addiction. We need for them not to put pressure on our undergraduates and to support us in our efforts." —Regan Houser



Cartography lab manager John Benhart, foreground, works with geography graduate student Michele Maierhofer from State College. In the background is graduate student Larry Metts from Shelocla



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- Renovate McElhane Hall
- Triple the number of student scholarships

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*In the three decades during which he taught in IUP's Geography and Regional Planning*

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*Department, James Payne saw the means of map production evolve from pen and ink beginnings of computer imaging. Today, the Edward Payne GIS Cartography Lab at IUPUI honors Payne's memory and provides students with state-of-the-art resources.*



Faculty members in cartography's pen-and-ink days, c. 1960. Left to right, foreground: Norah Zink, Thomas [unclear]; background: David Winslow, James Payne, for whom today's cartography lab is named, and Charles Weber.

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# <sup>a</sup>Cartographic Heritage

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**A**rriving at Indiana State Teachers College in 1958, Payne taught Remote Sensing before the days of computer access to satellite imagery. His map and photo interpretation skills were learned at the U.S. Air Force Aeronautical and Chart and Information Center.

Payne taught Cartography and Map and Photo Interpretation, as well as other departmental courses. His students included classmates Ruth Shirey '65, the department's former chairperson, and John (Jack) Benhart, the father of the current cartography lab manager. Benhart now serves as chairperson of the

Department of Geography and Earth Sciences at Shippensburg University.

According to Susan Forbes, the IUP department's chairperson, it was Robert Sechrist, who arrived in the department after Payne's retirement, who introduced the first Geographic Information Systems (GIS) class to the department. Today, Forbes said, "The JEP Lab uses a Windows NT server and professional-level software, such as ArcInfo, ArcView, MapInfo, and MiniCad."

"The newest addition," Forbes said, "is the Global Positioning System (GPS) technology for mapping in the field. Payne would have appreciated this, since Field Geography was an important mapping opportunity for him."

The lab was dedicated in Payne's memory in November, 1997, ten days after his death. Contributions to the James Edward Payne GIS/Cartography Fund from alumni and other sources help to assure the lab's continuous improvement. 🐼

*(Editor's Note: For more about GPS, see Beyond the Books in this issue.)*

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# A Most Agreeable Schizophrenia

by President  
Lawrence K. Pettit

A few months ago, IUP was singled out among all eighteen state-owned and state-related universities for having the most rigorous general education requirements. A report issued by the Commonwealth Foundation strongly criticized public universities in Pennsylvania for providing too many loopholes in their required liberal studies courses so that students could graduate without having a solid foundation in the basic fields of knowledge.



Jim Wakefield

Acclaimed poet Donald Hall, center, visited the Armstrong Campus in Kittanning last fall to mark the beginning of the campus's thirty-fifth anniversary celebration. A day later, at the Indiana Campus, he posed with President Lawrence K. Pettit, right, and English professor Ronald Shaler '68. A video documentary on Hall and his late wife, the poet Jane Kenyon, is set for release by IUP in February.

IUP was described as being "...at the other end of the spectrum," and as being "...better than most of the private colleges and universities" in this regard. This is the second time we have been lauded recently for the rigor of our curriculum. In our decennial reaccreditation visit from Middle States, IUP was praised for the soundness of our liberal studies requirements.

Of course, we do not subscribe to the criticism of our sister State System universi-

ties, nor to the criticism of Penn State, Pitt, Temple, or Lincoln, but we do take pride in our being excepted from the wholesale damning of public higher education. (To our dismay, the Associated Press in reporting the story did not mention the IUP exception, and the result was a news story that read as though IUP had been condemned along with all others.)

My point here is not to flaunt gleeful praise at the expense of others. This is simply a good way to lead into a description of the cross pressures public universities face. The Commonwealth Foundation judged us essentially on how well we sustain classical liberal education. The foundation would evaluate us against the model of the best small liberal arts colleges.

Others who share that organization's political persuasion but who have a dissimilar academic outlook have lectured our State System universities on our presumed failure to be "market sensitive." By this they mean we have not redirected our curricula to those vocational programs that serve the immediate needs of Pennsylvania industry here and now. Others raise a related point: we should concentrate on "workforce development" and let the private institutions worry about the classics. And then there are mounting political pressures for us to accept, without question or evaluation, the general education (liberal studies) courses of community college transfer students.

Obviously, we cannot serve all masters. Although we are awfully good, it is most difficult for us to be at once a Swarthmore and a vo-tech school. IUP has already been branded (by the Commonwealth Foundation) as the public institution in the state closest to Swarthmore in our curriculum requirements. But we are sensitive as well to our obligations as a public university.

For some time we have taken pride in our outstanding record in career preparation and job placement. The way this is done at IUP proves that it can coexist quite well with superior liberal education. At present we are serious about finding a way to contribute substantially to the state's workforce preparation agenda. To do this, we propose to restructure our two branch campuses at Kittanning and Punxsutawney, giving them new, two-year programs from which students may move directly into a high-tech workplace. And we continue to work diligently with the state's community colleges to facilitate transferability but at the same time to protect our liberal studies expectations.

In order to protect a university's integrity (and to remind others that the real experts are within our walls) we cannot necessarily give in to any particular set of external critics. But as I remind all of us at IUP at least once a year, this is not our university—it belongs to the people of the commonwealth, and we must meet their needs.

More often than not, we succeed in this balancing act. I believe this reflects more broadly the strength that this university draws from its dualities: we are both large and small, rural and urban, nurturing and demanding, classical and vocational, doctoral and undergraduate, local and cosmopolitan, serious and fun-loving—and we have as our foundation values excellence and achievement on the one hand and compassion and opportunity on the other. It is a most agreeable kind of schizophrenia. ☺

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students learn to binge drink before they become social drinkers.

"Another idea of binge drinking is that it is a reflection of American drinking practices in general. For decades Americans drank heavily on the weekend and then went to work. Drinking on the job has been looked down upon. I think the practice is a carryover in many ways to college practices—that students can't wait for the weekend to get wasted. It would be interesting to see in a study if binge drinking today among college students still follows the weekend ritual, or does it occur at any time with no pattern?"

Ackerman said that most—not all—students become tired of binge drinking after several years in college; the novelty wears off and they develop new interests.

"Which students become alcoholic is often difficult to determine. Statistically, usually one in ten drinkers becomes alcoholic, but this number appears to be rising. We know that the development of drinking problems is associated with age of first beginning to drink. The younger the drinker is, the more susceptible to the impact of alcohol and all the emotional baggage," he said. "Are some binge drinkers predisposed to this behavior? Yes, research indicates strong genetic predisposition. Obviously, we know that it runs in families; however, just because one is predisposed does not mean that the event will happen."

According to Ackerman, while children of alcoholics are four times likelier to develop a drinking problem than children from nonalcoholic homes, social integration is also a factor in predisposition.

"This refers to how much a student is involved in social organizations, other than Greek, such as church, community projects, family, and other groups. The idea is that the higher level of integration, the lower the probability of dysfunctional drinking. It is not unusual to find a high degree of isolation and even depression among problem drinkers. The problem with college drinkers is not so much predicting who will drink but who will develop a drinking problem. In other words, which of our binge drinkers will become alcoholic and continue with all of the associated problems?"

Ackerman said the student who begins drinking early in life, who suffers from low self-esteem or limited social integration, and who comes from a family that suffers from alcoholism is at high risk of becoming alcoholic.

"I don't think that I would call binge drinking normal behavior, but I do think that college life is conducive for this occurrence," he said. "Unfortunately, it becomes the norm on many campuses. There might be a pattern for some binge drinkers, especially for those who don't become alcoholic, to change their drinking practices as they get older. This might be due to maturity, getting closer to graduation, looking for a job, relationships,

because they don't know how to drink otherwise. This sounds strange, but think of when they started to drink and what the reasons were for drinking. Many stu-

and getting tired of the same old thing as a way of partying. The binge drinker who later becomes alcoholic probably begins to realize somewhere in his or her drinking that it is not the campus life or the partying that matter but rather the opportunity to drink.

"There might be a difference between the student who goes to social functions and then drinks versus the student who only goes to social functions where there is drinking. For this student, it is not the social function that attracts, but the alcohol. This is a warning sign.

"When binge drinking is the norm, then what stands out as an abnormal drinking pattern? Students need to pay attention to their own predisposed circumstances." ☛

**Additional Reading:** The September, 1997, issue of the Journal of American College Health contains the 1998 Harvard University School of Public Health College Alcohol Study. The study may also be accessed at <http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/cas/>. Further information may be obtained by accessing the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism website at <http://www.nih.niaaa.gov/>.

## A Twist of IRONY



DURING THE WASH OF NEWS COVERAGE about the Harvard Study, clinicians and counselors in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia were enhancing their diagnostic and treatment skills in adolescent substance abuse at a seminar called Treating Adolescent Substance Abuser: Understanding the Fundamental Elements.

Sponsored by the IUP-based Mid-Atlantic Addiction Training Institute, the seminar offered step-by-step treatment strategies for helping adolescents who struggle with this problem. The seminar literature reveals that at least 10 percent of the nation's adolescents are afflicted with addiction.

MAATI, which offers seminars in the fall and spring and an intensive summer school, is a consortium of academic and professional experts in the field of alcohol abuse treatment, domestic violence intervention, and related mental health issues. Directed by IUP sociology professor Robert Ackerman, it is a partnership between IUP, Gateway Rehabilitation Center, and the Livensorin Foundation.

The seminar was fitting, considering IUP officials seem to agree that the path toward binge drinking is paved during the high school years, long before students enroll in higher education. —Regan Hauser



# Lifestyles

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## Flying Higher

**L**ike a child ready for the first day of school, Patty Hilliard '85 dressed up for her first day of training, waiting for her lifelong dream career to begin. Hilliard became an astronaut that day.

"I'm having the time of my life, and sometimes I feel a little guilty about having so much fun," she wrote via e-mail during a break in her schedule. "There is certainly a lot of time spent working and studying, but I'm enjoying every bit of it."

The Homer City, Pa., native and pre-med program alumna was a NASA flight surgeon, based at Johnson Space Center in Houston, when she was chosen for astronaut training. Before becoming a flight surgeon, Hilliard had a family

practice in Erie that she gave up to pursue her dream. She landed at NASA in the civilian position after training in an aerospace medicine program at the University of Texas. She expects initial training to be finished this year; then, she begins her wait for a flight assignment.

NASA's philosophy dictates that a surgeon be present on long-duration flights, hence one of the reasons she was chosen. The only physician in her class, Hilliard will not be trained for just a health-care-related assignment. Her training has been broad and encompasses everything from engineering to natural science. It includes survival, too, according to her note, sans the creature comforts a civilian might envision.

"We spent four days in the beautiful mountains of Western Maine, where we learned how to survive in the woods should we ever have to bail out of the T-38 jet, which NASA astronauts frequently fly all over the country," she wrote. "Through the Navy SERF (Survival, Evasion, Resistance, Escape) school, we received excellent instruction in survival skills. We learned to make snares, shelters, and fires; we learned about the local vegetation and sampled the edible plants and berries; and we learned about each other. When you are hiking, sleeping, and suffering with the same people for four days, you really get to know them."

"We learned many useful things, but spent our nights shivering, as the temperature dropped to forty-one degrees each night (with rain on the last night), and we did not have sleeping bags. We made our own shelters out of parachute material, and used leaves and pine boughs as insulation. We received one MRE (Meal, Ready to Eat) per day, which was OK for some but left many folks very hungry. We enjoyed the map and compass exercises, and surprisingly no one got lost!"

"The highlight of the trip was the cold beer and warm food in a Portland restaurant afterwards. And, of course, the shower!"

Patty Hilliard

## THE COMPANY WE KEEP

**Gerda Lerner**, author of *The Creation of Patriarchy and Why History Matters*, spoke to students in October at the invitation of the Women's Studies Program.

As part of the Ideas and Issues Series, **Scott Ritter**, former chief weapons inspector for the United Nations Special Commission in Iraq, spoke to students in November.

**George Carlin** performed on campus in November, courtesy of The Entertainment Network, the student-run scheduling group sponsored by the Office of Student Activities and Organizations.

## All About Anniversaries

**T**he Geoscience Department held various reunion activities over Homecoming Weekend last fall. The occasion also celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of the department's establishment. Organizers included **Connie Evans Sutton '67, M'68**, Karen Cercone, and Walter Granata, first chairperson of the department.

The Western Pennsylvania Hospital School of Respiratory Care held a reunion celebrating "twenty-five years of class" in October. The celebration was held in conjunction with the twenty-fifth Annual Pennsylvania Society for Respiratory Care Seminar.

# Beyond the Books

(Editor's Note: This is the fifth in a series of short features about extracurricular opportunities for student learning.)

By Marilyn Kukulka

Standing in a shallow stream, geography graduate student Jason Fazekas pinpoints his location using the Global Positioning System. Satellites far above the Earth give him the exact coordinates for his spot in the polluted stream, a spot where water samples are taken.

The work he is doing in the field will help the Blacklick Creek Watershed Association create a cleaner river basin in Cambria and Indiana counties. The work he is doing goes beyond anything he has experienced in the classroom, but his classroom studies are vital to his efforts.

"What I'm learning in the geography department's Geographic Information Systems, or GIS, class I'm applying to the watershed project," said the IUP student.

Fazekas explained that a GIS is a way to represent spatial and other data on a computer screen, like a map with layers of data hidden from view until they are needed. For example, someone viewing a GIS on a computer screen could "click" the mouse button on a building on a map and see when it was constructed, who built it, or any other data a researcher has entered.

For the watershed, Fazekas is compiling data from several sources such as existing maps, coal company maps, and other documents. Once he has collected his data, he digitizes visual items, such as maps or photos, using a scanner or a device like a computer mouse that can be used to trace electronically such features as bends in a stream.

The watershed's GIS, which will be an ongoing project for student volunteers from the geography department, will include data such as the acidity levels for areas where water from underground mines discharges into the stream.

Alumni met at the LeMont in Pittsburgh for the dinner celebration. **Bill Malley '75** and Georgann Meyers were the main organizers.

Nursing graduates from the Class of 1973 came together at Homecoming to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of their graduation. The event was coordinated by **Janet Anderson Martinich '73**; a continental breakfast was served in Breezdale prior to the Homecoming parade.

IUP Voices of Joy Gospel Choir celebrated its ten-year anniversary as a group with a variety of activities in October. The celebration was coordinated by **Sarah Pointer Jones '92** in conjunction with Melvin Jenkins and David Hanson.

## LOOKING AT LANGUAGE'S FUTURE

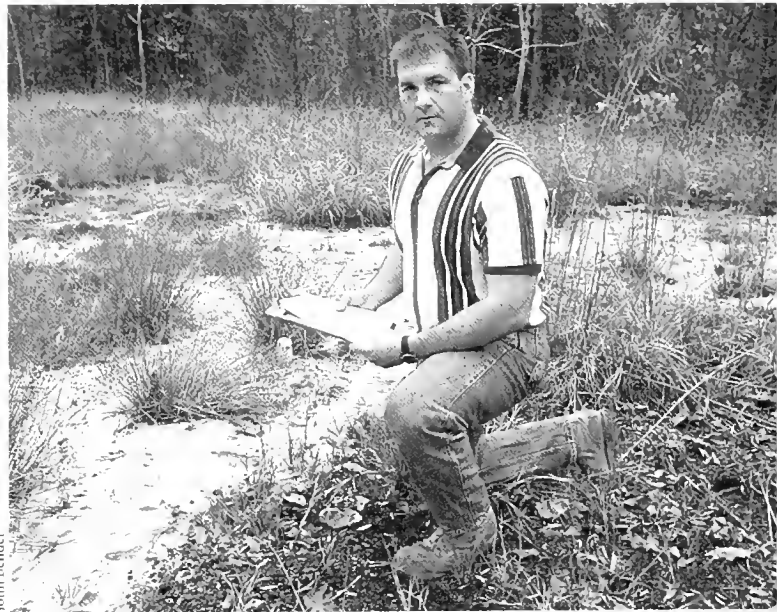
Man communicated directly by word of mouth, until written language emerged. In the last few years, with the explosive growth of the Internet, scholars wonder how written communication will change.

The millennial issue of *Works and Days*, a scholarly journal promoted by the National Council of Teachers of English and edited by IUP faculty member David Downing, will carry the results of a new research project. Conducted by Gian Pagnucci, an English faculty member, and Nicholas Mauriello, a doctoral student in IUP's rhetoric and linguistics program, the research, called Understanding Narratives,



Fazekas, now in his second year of the geography master's program at IUP, became interested in the watershed association last fall when he

bachelor's degree in geography from Clarion University, decided to pursue his master's degree studies at IUP in part because of the school's GIS laboratory.



John Bender

Jason Fazekas with pale-green, milky, acid mine drainage. The site is a few steps from Route 954, south of Indiana.

needed a topic for a term paper in his Conservation class. A professor suggested watershed planning and introduced him to the Blacklick Creek group.

When he took a Geography Information Systems class the following spring, he and a few fellow students built a GIS for the watershed. He's continued to help the watershed association by volunteering his time and skills, and he has received valuable insight in return.

"There's no doubt about it; by doing this I'm doing some environmental GIS applications," he said. "It really did lead me toward that career direction—the environmental side of GIS."

Fazekas, who received a

"IUP has a good reputation in the state for the GIS curriculum," he said. "It's excellent, and the professor is doing a great job."

## Additional Reading

Two World Wide Web sites recommended by Fazekas provide information about acid mine drainage. One is the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's site at <http://www.dep.state.pa.us/>. The other is sponsored by SCRIP (StonyCreek, Conemaugh River Improvement Project), a local grassroots organization concerned with acid mine drainage. The address for that site is <http://ctcnet.net/scrip/>.



J. Ann Bender

**Almost home:** The presidential residence currently under construction is nearly complete. Funded by the State System of Higher Education, the house is in a wooded section on the university's South Campus. These photos show the front of the residence and a view of the family room from a second-floor balcony. The kitchen is to the left in the family room photo.



Literacy, and Ourselves in Cyberspace (Project UNLOC), is funded by a number of internal grants and a substantial grant from IUP's Presidential Fund for Excellence.

"We've been asking our composition students to post their writing online, but the transition from the traditional face-to-face composition classroom to the online one has been a little rocky. We've noticed a number of problems with our students' web-based writing," Pagnucci said. "In particular, this writing is reserved in its tone and voice, often lacks personal detail, tends toward safe topic selection, and is extremely brief in comparison to non web based student texts. Students feared that the unguarded space of the Internet would reveal too much about them, might jeopardize their personal safety, or allow their writing to be stolen. We

want to know what will happen to our stories in cyberspace."

Pagnucci and Mauriello's research began this fall with a meeting of scholars from the United States and Canada. The group is now conducting online meetings using newly designed electronic discussion software and will hold a closing session in May. The questions they are striving to answer include the following: What kind of stories can be told in cyberspace? Should we tell our stories on the web? What happens to gender and identity in this new arena? What cultural conflicts arise as people tell Internet stories? What are the seats of cultural power and dominance in cyberspace? What forms of literacy emerge from the web?

"We felt a symposium exploring the intersections of literacy, narration, and technology would help us bring together leading scholars who could explore this critical time in our educational history."

Pagnucci said. "The issues are so complex that scholars working alone cannot wrestle with them as effectively as working in a larger research consortium."

Because Project UNLOC is exploring fundamental changes in how people read and write, it

has generated excitement from leading composition and technology researchers.

"We were delighted by the response to our project proposal," Mauriello said. "Scholars from all over the country wrote to us saying we hit a real nerve. With millions of dollars being spent on the Internet, we need to study how people are learning to communicate in this new environment. That goal has prompted people to join our project."

## POTOMAC EXPEDITIONS

Bringing Washington, D.C., a little closer to IUP is part of the goal of the IUP Discovery Club. As a student organization that sponsors bus trips to Washington, the club ties field trips to education and community service.

A main purpose of the trips is giving IUP students an opportunity to visit the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. Opened in 1993, the museum teaches visitors about the persecution and murder of millions of Jews and other groups of people.

*Discovery Club participants joined in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival last summer.*



While each club trip to Washington includes a visit to the Holocaust Museum, students also have plenty of time to see other museums and monuments. They've been able to participate in a number of seasonal fairs, celebrations, and important events, including the Cherry Blossom Festival. An interactive "Global Village" on the National Mall featured a series of life-size human habitats. Students also helped pack boxes with clothing and health care supplies to be shipped to Haiti.

Last June's trip included a visit to the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, also held on the National Mall, in the shadow of several Smithsonian museums. The festival showcases the

traditions and cultures of several countries with a sampling of music, dances, food, crafts, and history. On a special visit to the White House in October, students toured the usually private gardens of the White House South Lawn. Included were the Jacqueline Kennedy Garden, the Rose Garden, and other seldom seen areas.

In the Spring semester, the Discovery Club plans more trips to Washington and also one to New York City. Readers who want to learn more about the club or offer suggestions for projects may call 412-309-1937 or e-mail [discoveryiup@email.com](mailto:discoveryiup@email.com).

—David Notto

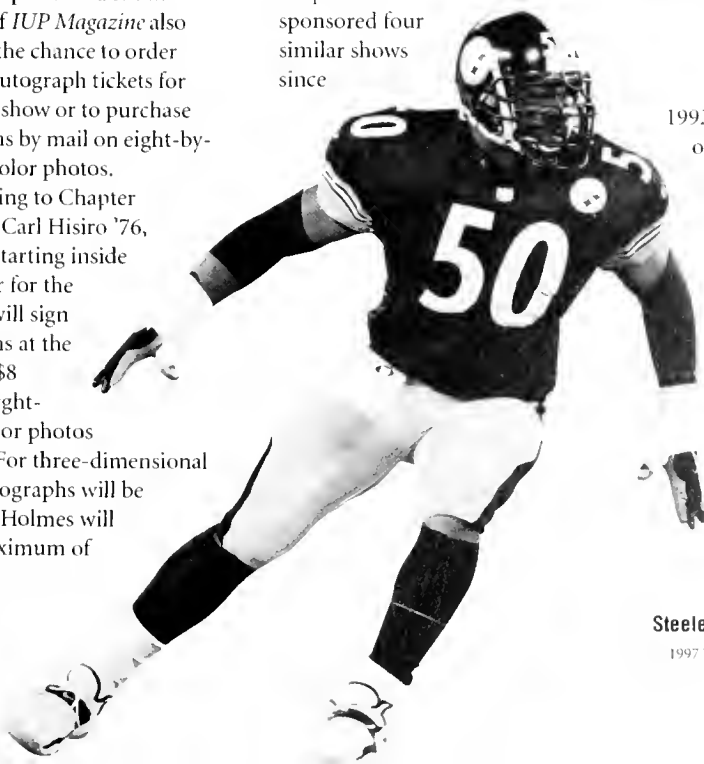
## Harrisburg Offers Hitman Souvenirs

Earl Holmes of the Pittsburgh Steelers will be signing autographs on February 13 at the IUP Harrisburg Area Alumni Chapter's sports card show. Readers of *IUP Magazine* also will have the chance to order advance autograph tickets for use at the show or to purchase autographs by mail on eight-by-ten inch color photos.

According to Chapter President Carl Hisiro '76, Holmes, starting inside linebacker for the Steelers, will sign autographs at the show for \$8 each on eight-by-ten color photos or cards. For three-dimensional items, autographs will be \$13 each. Holmes will sign a maximum of

500 autographs.

Proceeds from the three-day show, which features seventy-two dealer tables and is scheduled for February 12-14, and from the autograph signings will be donated by the chapter to the Foundation for IUP for the scholarship endowment fund that the chapter has created to benefit IUP students from the Harrisburg area. The chapter has sponsored four similar shows since



Steelers linebacker Earl Holmes

1997 Pittsburgh Steelers/Mike Fabus

# Capturing Movement

**CAPTURING MOVEMENT:** A unique academic collaboration between photography and dance last summer resulted in an intense, week-long workshop called *Movement in Print*. Led by photography professor Ronald Juliette '68 and dance professor Holly Boda, the three-credit course paired nine photographers and nine dancers on the basis of skill, personality, and creativity. One goal was

to encourage them to explore the ways movement relates to architectural form and to understand how dance can balance or counterbalance a



manmade structure. Jeremy Shaffer photographed Melissa Mercuri with a background of criss-cross shapes, while Eric Schmadel recorded Tina Lorek outside a coal-fired generating plant. The popular course will be offered again.

1992 which have resulted in over \$20,000 being donated to the Foundation, including \$13,000 to the scholarship endowment fund. The show will be held at the Camp Hill Shopping Mall, 32nd Street and Trindle Road, in Camp Hill.

Mail order prices (which include shipping and handling) are \$14 for an eight-by-ten photo supplied by the chapter and \$10 for a

photo or football card supplied by the sender. Those planning to attend the show to obtain autographs may order tickets in advance at \$8 or \$12 each, depending on the type of item to be autographed. Checks should be made payable to Carl Hisiro and sent to him with a self-addressed, stamped envelope prior to the show at 108 Nicolas Court, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Questions may be directed to Hisiro at (717) 545-1181.

# Letters

## Cover Report

**C**ongratulations to IUP student James Rugg. His front cover on the Fall, 1998, issue of *IUP Magazine* is splendid (a real eye catcher. Some would say "a keeper.")

Anne O'Hara Arnett '39  
Ormond Beach, Fla

## Some Things Don't Change

**A**s was written in the Spring, 1998, Editor's Page, there is indeed a continuity. While in my time the trains no longer dropped off students near what's now Pratt Drive, there was indeed that arrival of bags and baggage after holidays, and looking at that picture triggered a deep nostalgia. Willis Pratt, by the way, became president of the college while we were there, and a sense of his intentions was in the air.

Dr. I. L. Stright was one of our three math teachers, and I still remember him vividly. I'm sure he influenced my teaching far more than he might want to acknowledge. I understand he continued on for many years.

(One reason I'm not up on

IUP history is that after the U.S. Navy and Bucknell, my wife and I spent the next forty years near San Francisco (where I taught English at Diablo Valley College. We moved back to this area last October.)

Last summer, I published my seventh book, *Teaching Human Beings* [see Bookends in this issue]. Indiana affected what's in the book in two important ways. It gave me the opportunity to embark on my lifelong passion for teaching, and it gave me my first experience in print. I've been teaching and writing ever since.

Clark McKowen '51  
Ligonier, Pa.

## Alumni Support Tech Support

**A**s one aspect of the technological change reported in *IUP Magazine's* Fall issue ("Making Way for Y2K"), technology support has become a field of high demand for competent employees. Most service organizations manage a help desk center twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. This demand has been the focus of concern on the part of the National Help Desk Institute.

The Department of Office Systems and Business Education offers a degree program that includes a component in technology support. Rick Joslin '85, vice president of Content Development for Service Ware, Inc., an international organization based in Oakmont, Pa., contacted the department.

He also expressed a willingness to serve on the advisory board. Two faculty members, Dawn Woodland and Linda Falsetti Szul '69, M'87, worked with Rick in organizing the first student chapter of the Help Desk Institute.

Recently, they were recognized at a local chapter meeting of the Help Desk Institute for their contributions in forming the Alpha Chapter. Joining Rick in presenting the plaque were Amy Petrillo '82, M'85 and Lisa Painter Haggerty '97, representing the National Help Desk Institute. The organization of the first Help Desk Institute Student Chapter has brought local recognition in *The Penn* and national recognition in the Help Desk Institute magazine *LifeRaft*.

The model that has been established at IUP for forming student chapters will be used to develop chapters at other universities that offer programs in information technology. Our partnership with the National Help Desk Institute and Rick Joslin has provided us with many resources, including technical training for faculty on help desk software and participation at national meetings and Pittsburgh Chapter events. In addition to these many fine resources, ServiceWare, Inc., has also provided the Office Systems program with its Knowledge Pak software, which gives students an applied experience in information technology and support.

Wayne Moore  
IUP Department of Office  
Systems  
and Business Education

Clark McKowen '51, as he looked in the early fifties when he wrote a column for *The Penn*. A current photo of McKowen with a classmate is in the Class Notes section of this issue.

**A NEW FACE:** The future home of the Psychology Department, Uhler Hall presents a new facade to the world these days. Its renovation is only one in a continuing series of improvements that are part of the Long-Range Plan. Learn more about the plan by accessing <http://cheetah.ma.iup.edu/courses/1899/iupsouth/longrange/pln.html>.

## Web Watch

The Searcher: Wolt website created and maintained by IUP biology faculty member William Forbes, was selected as a valuable resource for Discovery Channel School's Ultimate Guide to Animals Program. The site can be viewed at

<http://www.discovery.com>





# IUP

**Sig Taus:** Clark McKowen '51, left, with Glenn Bronger, a classmate and Sigma Tau Gamma member who is also brother of Sigma Tau Gamma member and former president, Glenn Bronger '51. Taus is in the background wearing a watercolor T-shirt. For more on Clark, see the Letters and Bookends sections of this issue.

# Awards

## National Book Award for Poetry

To Gerald Stern, an English professor at IUP from 1963 to 1967, for his work, *This Time: New and Selected Poems*

## Alumni Ambassadorships

Presented to the following recent alumni, who spoke to students in their respective colleges during Homecoming weekend:

► College of Education: **Stacie Buriok Batchelor '92**, a teacher at Hartwood Elementary School in Hartwood, Va.

► College of Humanities and Social Sciences: **Andrea Ferrara '88, M'90**, human resources director for Pepsi-Cola in Purchase, N.Y.

► College of Health and Human Services: **Thomas Mach '94**, area sales manager for Lord and Taylor Department Store in Stamford, Conn.

► Eberly College of Business: **James Leda '95**, associate consultant for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Pittsburgh

## IUP Teaching Excellence Center Faculty Recognition Awards

To **Madan Batra**, Department of Marketing

To **Maali Ashamalla**, Department of Management

To **Cathleen Golden**, Department of Office Systems and Business Education

To **Joseph Bencloski '64, M'70**, Department of Geography and Regional Planning

To **David Downing**, Department of English

To **Elaine Ware '73, M'76**, Department of English

## IUP Center for Family Business Distinguished Family Business Award

To **James Industries of Altoona, Pa.**, developer and former manufacturer of the Slinky

# Class Notes

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Buffalo, and Washington, D.C., FBI special agent **Bruce Contess '79** has transferred from Kansas City to the American Embassy in Athens, Greece, to serve as assistant legal attache. His e-mail address is [bcontess@ibm.net](mailto:bcontess@ibm.net).

**Patricia Cerra Davis '79**, who is assistant jewelry manager at Service Merchandise, owns a printing business with her husband, Neal, and lives in Margate, Fla., with their four children, Chris, Corey, Paula, and Samantha.

Assistant vice president for Merrill Lynch, **Rosemary DeMark '79** has relocated to Princeton, N.J., for her job with the company's systems liaison group.

**Lisa Eisenhard '79** was promoted to corporate purchasing manager of ACT'S Retirement-Life Communities in West Point, Pa.

Vice president and chief information officer, **Angelo Mazzocco '79** heads the newly formed information services department of the Dispatch Printing Company in Columbus, Ohio.

## 80s

A teacher of autistic children in the Darlington County School District, **JoAnn Calafiore Doughty '80** received the district's Making A Difference Award after being nominated by a fellow teacher. She also says all three of her sons chose to wear IUP hats at their school's crazy hat day. The Doughtys, including JoAnn's husband, Daniel, live in Hartsville, S.C.

Last semester, **Susan Slagle Drummond '80, M'90** began her new position as an assistant professor in IUP's library, working in the reference area and as a bibliographic instructor.

Prior to her new position as vice president of the Hospital Council of Western Pennsylvania, **Wendy Harr Lomicka '80** of Pittsburgh was director of research support at Allegheny University of the Health Sciences.

Associate athletics director at the University of South Carolina, **Dan Radakovich '80**, his wife, Marcie, and their sons, Christian and Grant, live in Columbia.

Named one of the Fifty Best Women in Business in Pennsylvania, **Nancy Mihm Decker '81** is director of the Laurel Business Institute in Uniontown. The award was presented by the state secretary of community and economic development in conjunction with several business journals.

In a new position, **Charles Rice '81**, who lives in Fredericksburg, Va., with his wife, **Lorelei Seaman Rice '82**, and two Dalmatians, oversees arraignments for the Fairfax General District Court. Their e-mail address is [crice80153@aol.com](mailto:crice80153@aol.com).

Director of ambulatory care for Lehigh Valley Health Services, **Patrick Simonson '81** of Emmaus, Pa., is a member of the executive team and is responsible for all outpatient services.

Godparents of Damian Dristas Zenzi, new son of **Ann Dristas Zenzi '81** and **Damian Zenzi '87**, are **Linda Kellner '81** and **Sam Puleio '87**.

Imperial, Pa., resident **Diane Vasilakis Bianco '82** is a general manager for Halls Department Stores.

Two years ago, **Kenneth Crown '82**, a public insurance adjuster, was promoted to vice president of the Greenspan Company and opened its San Jose, Calif., office. He lives in San Jose with his wife, Joanne, and has two sons, Julian and Zachary.

▲ **Kaleidoscope:** A group of friends from the Class of 1968 could not resist making history repeat itself at a recent gathering. Clockwise, beginning with Kathy Mack McElroy, whose sweater features a star, are Jean Wagner Scott, Sharon Lloyd Reynolds, Clarette Hart

Shelton, Kathryn Lacock Ciezaldo, Rosalind Korowicki Tate, and Kathleen Kunder. Can you tell who is who in the photo taken more than thirty years ago? One clue: Chris Paschl appears in the old photo, while Jean Wagner Scott, who took the photo, does not.

A reading specialist in the Chesterfield County Public Schools, **Joan Smergalski Rhodes '82** received her Ph.D. from Virginia Commonwealth University. Her dissertation dealt with individualized writing instruction, phonemic segmentation, and the spelling performance of at-risk first graders.

Assigned to duty in Rhode Island, **Ronda Urey '82** was promoted in the Army to the rank of lieutenant colonel.

The mother of Jacob, **Mary Cicero Brooks '83** wrote that she was expecting a baby in November. She lives in Cranberry Township, Pa., with her husband, Gary, and works for TAP Pharmaceuticals.

**Janetta Davis '83** has joined the theater department faculty of Denison University in Granville, Ohio.

The former associate director of continuing education at Elizabethtown College, **David Dentler '83** has been named executive assistant to the president. Last year, he completed a term as president of the Pennsylvania Association for Adult Continuing Education.

**Barbara Jones '83** writes that her daughter, who is now nearly two, was born unexpectedly at home and delivered by her father, **Frank Mozea '85**. Barbara, Frank, and Meghan live



in Amherst, Mass.

While **John Moore '83** was appointed risk and insurance manager at Elf Atochem, his wife, **Nancy Weber Moore '85**, has retired as cash management administrator after assisting in the integration of Commercial Union and General Accident Insurance companies. She spends time raising their second daughter, Katrina, prepares taxes, and assists in John's legal practice. The Moores live in Lansdowne, Pa., and enjoy hosting IUP weekends at their Jersey Shore home.

Previously employed as Erie Insurance's corporate travel coordinator, **Beverly Klahr Wells '83** has relocated with her family to Johnstown and is now a homemaker. She and her husband, Mark, have two children, Eleanor and Geoffrey.

The director of financial planning for Centimark Corporation, **Dennis Dydiw '84, M'85** lives in Washington, Pa., with his wife, Terri, and has three children, Jordan, Lauren, and Sydney.

A visiting assistant professor at Michigan State University, **Shawn Morrison '84** of Okemos completed her Ph.D. in French.

Alumni in the wedding party of **Gail Smolic Tribble '84** and her husband, Stephen, included **Beth Saul Cribbs '81, Bill Lucker '83, and Karen Tribble '87**. Gail's three children, Gregory, Michael, and Alexandra, also participated.

After twelve years as an Association of Equity Actors stage manager, **Elli Agosto '85** has relocated to Florida and has joined Walt Disney World's entertainment department.

The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette's manager of labor relations, **Kathleen Connelly-Tobin '85, M'92** earned her Senior Professional in Human Resources designation. At her summer wedding to Bruce Tobin, whom she met

while serving on the board of United Cerebral Palsy of Pennsylvania, **Joe Compomizzi '85** served as a soloist.

The new volunteer coordinator of the Jewish Association of Aging, **Sheri Minkoff '85** works part-time, so she can spend more time with her son, Aron Minkoff Katz.

**Jim Morris '85** of Delmont was named a vice president at Mellon Bank.

A promotion has taken **Joseph O'Malley '85** from Dallas, Tex., to Kansas City, Kan., where he works at Saint Luke's-Shawnee Mission Health System as manager of training.

According to **Paul Joestlein '86** and **Lisa Homme Joestlein '87, Michael Lang '86, Traci Thrasher '86, and Patrick Pallato '87** have been promoted from captain to major in the Army. He writes that Patrick is stationed in Korea, while Michael and Traci are both Reservists.

**Jane Scott Nassiri '86** is the new controller for the Radio Television News Directors Association. She lives in Alexandria, Va., with her husband and two daughters.

Last April, Murrysville resident **Annette Gabany Smiach '86**, who works in a Penn State rural nursing center in Mt. Union, Pa., earned her second master's degree, this one in family nurse practitioner, from the University of Pittsburgh.

In a promotion, **Joe Falzone '87** was named operations manager for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court of Florida's Southern District.

**Karen Fleming '87** has accepted a registered nursing position at the Regional Medical Center in Orangeburg, S.C.

A new position as advertising manager of *Yankee Magazine* has taken **Judith Glock '87** to Boston.

Last June, **David Monico '87** graduated

# Scaling Mount Hadley

In conjunction with Campus Recreation Services, Bob Cenk '86, proprietor of Mountain Dreams Wall, Inc., Pittsburgh, brought his climbing wall to the cul-de-sac outside the Hadley Union Building for a day last fall. Students took turns scaling Mount Hadley. Amy Simpson,



Eric Schmadel



background behind her. In the other photo, Bridget Streh, a senior from Altoona, is at right, and Simpson is at left.

an IUP senior from Clarion, climbed to the top and looked down at the view, while Eric Schmadel took her picture. The HUB is in the

from Palmer College of Chiropractic. He lives in Meadville, Pa.

**Bryan ("Rudy") Rudolph '87** of Bethel Park, Pa., has made his business, Video Doc Productions, a full-time enterprise and plans to open a second office in the summer.

After his marriage to Melanie Kesner more than two years ago, **Joseph Lepo '88** received his master's degree in finance from St. Joseph's University and is now controller for Young Windows, Inc. Joe and Melanie

subsequently had two children, Monica and Gage, and live in Audubon, Pa., with their older daughters, Courtney and Brianna.

Butler, Pa., resident **Chris Monday '88** has been named telemarketing supervisor by Marmon/Keystone Corporation.

**Wayne Waugh '88** was named principal at Laurel Valley Middle and

◀ **Their Honor:** When the Law Enforcement Agency Directors of Allegheny County handed out its annual Awards for Outstanding Performance in Law Enforcement, two of the recipients happened to be IUP alumni. Jeffrey Marsico '72, left, is a special agent for the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, and Thomas Clinton '71, right, is an inspector for the U.S. Postal Service. Both are assigned to the Pittsburgh office of their agencies.



## **Armstrong Campus Anniversary Celebration**

(724) 534-1078

<http://www.iup.edu/armstr/>

Reception and Dinner, Church of God Fellowship Hall in Kittanning, March 25

## **Family Weekend**

(724) 357-2302

October 30, 1999

October 28, 2000

## **Homecoming**

(724) 357-7942 or (800) 937-2487

October 9, 1999

October 14, 2000

## **1999 IUP Summer Honors Program**

(724) 357-4971

Sponsored by the Robert E. Cook Honors College for high school students and held on campus July 11 through July 17 and July 18 through July 24

## **Admissions Activities**

(724) 357-2230 or (800) 442-6830

<http://www.iup.edu/admiss/>

Transfer Express Days, 216 Pratt Hall, Mondays from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Daily Tours, when classes are in session from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Small Group Visitation, Tuesday through Friday when classes are in session, 2:00 p.m.

## **Alumni Events**

(724) 357-7942 or (800) 937-2487

<http://www.iup.edu/alumni/>

Greater Harrisburg Alumni Chapter Sports Card and Beanie Baby Show,

Camp Hill Shopping Mall, February 12 through 14

Distinguished Alumni Awards Gala, Blue Room, John Sutton Hall, March 27;

President's Reception, 6:00 p.m.; Dinner and Ceremony, 7:00 p.m.

Alumni Association Board of Directors Meetings, Breezedale Alumni Center,

February 19 and May 14, 1:00 p.m.

## **Artist Series**

(724) 357-2315

All performances begin at 8:00 p.m. in Fisher Auditorium.

*Smokey Joe's Cafe*, February 10

Tom Jones, March 3

Kevin Eubanks (from the *Tonight Show*), April 10

*A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* (with Joanne Worley),

April 25

## **Lively Arts**

(724) 357-2547

<http://www.iup.edu/fa/events.html>

*Hair*, IUP Music Theater and Theater by the Grove, Waller Hall, February 18 through 21 and 24 through 27

Violist George Taylor, a Classical Tracks event, Gorell Recital Hall, February 26, 8:00 p.m.

New Century Saxophone Quartet, a Classical Tracks event, Gorell Recital Hall, March 23, 8:00 p.m.

## **University Museum**

(724) 357-7930

Southcentral Pennsylvania Writing Project and Exhibition, February 25 through March 28

Annual Graduate Art Association Juried Exhibition, April 1 through May 2

Advanced Photography Class Exhibit, April 2 through May 2

Annual Alumni Exhibit Celebrating the Classes of 1949, 1954, 1959, and 1964, June 12 through July 2

## **Sports Schedules**

(724) 357-2747

<http://www.iup.edu/athlet/>

# Class Notes

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High School in New Florence, Pa.

After **David Gartley '89** earned his Certified Insurance Counselor designation, he took a new job as a district manager with Meridian Insurance Company. He lives in Vandergrift, Pa. with his wife, Amy.

**Roy Mitchell '89**, his wife, Phyllis, and their children, Tyler and Sara, have relocated to Corry, Pa.

Irwin, Pa., residents **Beth Ann Kopas Patterson '89** and her husband, Kirk, have two children, Ryan and Nicole.

For the second time, **Jane Gross McConnell '89** has been nominated to *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. Jane, her husband, Mark, and children Ryan and Sarah recently moved to Englewood, Colo.

## 90s

Lakeland, Fla., resident **Elaine Chilson '90** teaches fourth graders at Dixieland Elementary School.

**Michelle Bedont King '90** and her husband, Jeff, live in Boston.

In a promotion, **Susan Johnson Mann '90** was named executive director of the Conemaugh Health Foundation, which is part of the Conemaugh Health System of Johnstown.

In addition to many alumni attending the wedding, **Karen Deemer Paddison '90** and her husband, Mark, who now live in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, had many alumni participating. Bridesmaids and groomsmen included **Crystal Wollet Deemer '84**, **Steve Deemer '84**, **Tim Smolko '90**, **Dan Cush '91**, and Lenore Holt Hershberger.

**Stephanie Sewesky '90**, M'92 of Berwick, Pa., was promoted to program director of Community Services Group.

Social studies teacher and football and basketball coach **William August '91** works in the Big Spring School District and lives in Carlisle with his wife, Carmen Hranica August. He is working on his master's degree in educational administration at Shippensburg University.

Certified personal trainer **Mindi Griffith Boysen '91** owns



◀ **Working Together:** The following alumnae work together at Boyce Middle School in Pittsburgh's Upper St. Clair School District. From left are Angela Balbach '95, Beth McHenry Harris '80, Jan Atutes '73, Clare Froehlich Wagner '80, and Debbie Bowes O'Brosky '78.

Boysenbodies Fitness Training in Indianapolis, while serving on the faculty of Indiana University-Purdue University. Taking fifteenth in the national Ms. Fitness competition, she holds the title Ms. Indiana Fitness Champion and is Ms. Indianapolis Lightweight bodybuilding champion.

**Tamra Leininger Parker '91**, a sales executive with Burlington Industries, lives in Greensboro, N.C., with her husband, Allen.

After working for Pfaltzgraff, **Meg Gorgone Pitner '91** has joined Giant Food Stores as advertising design supervisor. She and her husband, Lyle, live in Lewisberry, Pa., and recently celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary.

Members of the wedding party of **Bryan Shoemaker '91** and **Lee Ann Chuba Shoemaker '93, M'94** included **Daniel Shoemaker '86, David Shoemaker '89, Karin Shoemaker '89, Andrew Smith '90,** and **Christie Bozelli '94.**

Promoted by PPG Industries to safety and plant protection manager, **Adam Trimble '91** has transferred to the company's Shelby, N.C., fiberglass plant.

After spending a year in Korea, **Daniel Kuntz '92**, a captain in the Army, and **Brenda Maloney Kuntz '91** are now at Ft. Bragg, N.C., where Daniel is a signal officer with the Eighty-Second Airborne.

Donna and **Forrest Mahon '92** asked **Jim Talarico '91** and **Mike Devenuto '92** to be part of their wedding. The Mahons live in Yardley, Pa.

**Diane Farrell Milanak '92**, who lives in Pittsburgh with her husband, Matthew, is a middle school teacher in the Pittsburgh Public Schools and earned her master's degree in special education at Duquesne University.

**Jeanne Pangonis '92** works for MCSI, a national consulting organization specializing in high-end management and IT consulting in addition to full-time hires with *Fortune* 500 companies and organizations focusing on IT initiatives.

**Dana Lloyd Pugh '92** and her husband, Bill, are teachers in the Anchorage, Alaska, School District.

In the wedding of **Julie Roxby Rose '92** and Darren Rose, bridesmaids included **Sharon Godshall Myers '83, Jennifer Sokol Boss '92,** and **Anne Ackley Moyer '92.** Julie and Darren live in Sagamore Hills, Ohio.

Named general manager of marketing communications, **Richard Tavoletti '92** is responsible for national marketing initiatives for the Steel

Recycling Institute.

Responsible for all marketing and publications, **Janet Corinne '93** of Latrobe is promotions manager of the *Tribune-Review*.

Members of the wedding party of **Kristi Parker McCormick '93** and Steve McCormick included **Debra Balsis Gasbarro '93, Heather Elko McCanna '93,** and **Rebecca Parker '95.**

A human resources manager for Citibank in New York, **Gabrielle Ferrara Morris '93, M'94** lives in Norwalk, Conn., with her husband, Christopher, whom she married two years ago.

In a promotion, Basking Ridge, N.J., resident **Bonnie Burns '94** was promoted to an account executive at Young and Rubicam New York. She is assigned to DuPont-Lycra North America.

Married New Year's Eve, **Derek Conner '94** and **Julie Lamoureux Conner '94** included the following alumni in their wedding: **Diane Lamoureux Peters '83, Todd Mitchell '92, Marcie Pajak Acinapura '94, Joe Roth '94, Jodi Hogue Myers '95, Dan Myers '95,** and **Mary Muffley Davis '96.**

Teachers in the Stafford County Public Schools, **Eric Cooke '94** and **Laurie Hertig Cooke '94, M'96** live in Fredericksburg, Va. Alumni who were attendants in their wedding nearly three years ago were **Jason Voithoffer '93, Rebecca Bickford Peters '93, Scott McClellan '94, Erin Ryan '94, Lisa Friedman M'96,** and **Chad Cooke '97.**

**Jennifer McCarthy '94** was a member of the wedding party of **Diane Richie Sheets '94** and her husband, James, who live in Pittsburgh.

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## Baseball

March 7 through 12, at Gene Cusic Classic, Fort Myers, Fla.  
 March 19 through 21, at Shippensburg Invitational Tournament  
 March 27, Lock Haven, 1:00 p.m.  
 March 30, California, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 2, at Edinboro, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 7, at Slippery Rock, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 10, at Clarion, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 13, at Lock Haven, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 17, at California, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 18, at Allegheny, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 21, Edinboro, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 24, Slippery Rock, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 26, at Davis and Elkins, 1:00 p.m.  
 May 1, Clarion, 1:00 p.m.

## Golf

March 25 through 28, at Camp Lejeune Invitational  
 April 2 through 3, at Glade Springs Invitational  
 April 13, at Slippery Rock Invitational  
 April 14, IUP Invitational (Indiana Country Club)  
 April 23 through 25, at PSAC Championships  
 May 2 through 5, at NCAA Division II North Regional

## Lacrosse

March 3, St. Vincent, 4:00 p.m.  
 March 20, at Canisius, 2:00 p.m.  
 March 21, at Niagara, 11:00 a.m.  
 March 24, at Lock Haven, 4:00 p.m.  
 March 27, West Chester, 1:00 p.m.  
 April 1, Mercyhurst, 4:00 p.m.  
 April 6, at Shippensburg, 4:00 p.m.  
 April 10, Millersville, 12:00 p.m.

April 14, Duquesne, 4:00 p.m.  
 April 17, at Bloomsburg, 2:00 p.m.  
 April 21, at St. Vincent, 4:00 p.m.  
 April 24, East Stroudsburg, 12:00 p.m.

## Men's Basketball

January 20, at Edinboro, 8:00 p.m.  
 January 23, California, 8:00 p.m.  
 January 27, at Lock Haven, 8:00 p.m.  
 February 1, Pitt-Johnstown, 7:30 p.m.  
 February 3, at Shippensburg, 8:00 p.m.  
 February 6, at Slippery Rock, 8:00 p.m.  
 February 10, Edinboro, 8:00 p.m.  
 February 13, Clarion, 8:00 p.m.  
 February 17, Lock Haven, 8:00 p.m.  
 February 20, at California, 8:00 p.m.

# Class Notes

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Married to Clayton Niles last summer, **Nicole Conn Niles '94** asked **Tara Flaherty '94** and **Heather Claffey Rice '94** to serve as bridesmaids in their wedding. Niki and Clayton live in Stafford, Va.

**Angie Daubert '95**, who is engaged to be married next fall, writes that she has been hired as community relations director at Just Born

Candies, the company that makes Marshmallow Easter Peeps, Mike&Ike's, and Hot Tamales. She lives in Bethlehem, Pa.

From aboard the U.S.S. *Fletcher* in the Arabian Gulf, **Erich Dinkfelt '95** writes that he's participating in Multinational Intercept Operations, which is charged with enforcing international sanctions against illegal oil smuggling. He has been aboard the *Fletcher* for nineteen months.

**Jonathan Green '95** and **Jennifer Terraforte Green '96** of Towanda, Pa., asked **Angela Fowler Brewer '95**, **Jason Winski '97**, **Andrew Leach**, and **John Guthrie** and current student **Lori Irvin Puhaly** to participate in their wedding. Jonathan is studying to be a physician's assistant at D'Youville College, and

**At the Career Fair:** *At the State University of New York Institute of Technology career fair, Megan Dombrski '92, a recruiting manager for Enterprise Rent-a-Car, crossed paths with SUNY administrators and IUP alumni Richard Racioppa M'95, the assistant director of student activities, and Philip Burlingame M'80, the vice president of student affairs.*



Jennifer, while working on her M.B.A. at SUNY-Binghamton, is a financial analyst with OSRAMSylvania.

Hempfield School District music teacher **Andrea Berresford Mulligan '95**, who lives in Windber, Pa., earned her master's degree in clarinet performance at Carnegie Mellon University.

Married in the summer, **Brian Simpson '95** and **Wendy Burns Simpson '97** of Dayton, Ohio, asked **Shawn Shockey '94**, **Jason Chiocca '95**, **Mary Anne Grazioli '95**, **Brett O'Brien '95**, and **Kris Smith '95** to be in the wedding party.

Having earned her master's degree at the University of Pittsburgh, **Melissa Bell '96** is now a post-master's fellow at Yale University in New Haven, Conn.

**Thomas Clouser '96** and **Christine Starkey '97** are engaged to be married.

Formerly employed by Volz Environmental Services in Pittsburgh, **Jeff Gunter '86** is now West Coast health and safety coordinator for Iliia in Livermore, Calif.

An interior designer, **Jessica Kucic '96** has joined WTW Architects of Pittsburgh.

Using the name Melanie Taylor, **Melanie Monaghan '96** has moved to major market radio in a new nighttime position for B 94 FM in Pittsburgh.

Assistant English professor at Virginia State University in Petersburg, **Gladys Nunnally D'96** was chosen one of 1999's top ten businesswomen of the year by the American Business Women's Association.

Since July, **George Cuchran '97** has served as a patrolman for the Colonial Regional Police Department in Bath, Pa. Residential supervisor at Children's

**ARK, Jill Lehman '97** was just promoted and says she loves her job working with juvenile girls. The Colorado Springs resident plans to start graduate school in the fall at the University of Denver.

**Lucas Watterson '97** is a full-time student at Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa.

# Lost and Found

**Acacia Fraternity Members:** For information about an IUP alumni chapter retreat at Seven Springs, please contact Matt O'Doherty at (317) 802-9823.

**Alumni of the IUP Army ROTC Program:** For more information about the IUP Army ROTC Alumni Association, please contact Captain Steve Rash '88 at (724) 357-4571 or [rashs@grove.iup.edu](mailto:rashs@grove.iup.edu).

**Alumni Interested in Careers in IT and High-End Management:** Please contact Jeanne Pagonis '92 at MCSI via e-mail at [pagonis@mcsweb.com](mailto:pagonis@mcsweb.com).

**Cathy Cairns and Eric Ordnung:** Please contact Wayne Barton and Pam Uglow Barton at 1181 Paintertown Road, Irwin, PA 15642; [wbarton346@aol.com](mailto:wbarton346@aol.com).

**Mary Dumm:** Please contact John Rushin at P.O. Box 9771, Jackson, WY 83002 9771; (307) 734-5894.

# Births

## 1970s

To **Marty Cook '75** and Karen Cook, a son, Aaron Matthew Gregory, August 22, 1998. To **Ginny Sowden Klenske**

'76 and Ted Klenske, an adopted daughter, Julia, December 31, 1997, born June 9, 1997. To **Bradley Griffie '78** and Julie Griffie, a son, Jared Zorah, September 11, 1998. To **Patricia Dziak Peltz '78** and Richard Peltz, a son, Nicholas Joseph, January 22, 1998. To **James Tonrey '78** and **Mary Ann Anthony Tonrey '80**, a daughter, Angela Marie, September 12, 1998.

## 1980s

To **Jeff Hyde '81** and Lynn Hyde, a daughter, Katelyn Marie, May 14, 1998. To **Ann Dristas Yenzi '81** and **Damian Yenzi '87**, a son, Damian Dristas, July 4,

**Lynn Kerr Hileman '85** and Ron Hileman, a son, Alexander Drake, June 30, 1998. To **Karen Perri Lang '85** and Thomas Lang, a daughter, Kayla Elizabeth, March 20, 1997, and a daughter, Kristina Marie, October 20, 1998. To **Dawn Carson McConnell '85** and David McConnell, a daughter, Maura Alana, May 7, 1998. To **Patricia Hay Pickard '85** and Rob Pickard, a daughter, Catherine Marie, September 26, 1998. To **Lynette Doran Reitz '85** and Jeff Reitz, an adopted daughter, Taylor Divya Jyothi, October 23, 1995. To **Marta Bergman Restelli '85** and Joseph Restelli, a daughter, Jacqueline Patricia, October 23, 1998. To **Karen Gorman Rowley '85** and Robert Rowley, a son,



**Fun, Despite the Rain:** *These folks from the Class of '73 hooked up at Homecoming festivities and found a dry place in the Hadley Union Building to snap a photo. Seated are Linda Kornis Troll and Frasier Hunt Zahniser. Standing, from left, are Daryl Lombardi Kotch, Pam Rahn Lewis, Janet Anderson Martinich, and Carol McCurdy Eckner.*

1998. To **Wayne Barton '82** and **Pam Uglow Barton '82**, a son, Jared Lee, June 26, 1997. To **Ronda Urey '82** and Edward Rios, a son, Ryan Edward Thomas, June 27, 1998. To **Mary Cicero Brooks '83** and Gary Brooks, a son, Jacob Lee, August 6, 1997. To **Barbara Jones '83** and **Francis Mozea '85**, a daughter, Meghan Francis Tobechukwu, April 18, 1997. To **John Moore '83** and **Nancy Weber Moore '85**, a daughter, Magdalena Lynn, December 13, 1995, and a daughter, Katrina Lynn, November 3, 1997. To **John Regan '83** and Tara Regan, twins, Connor Sayre and Kieran MacRae, August 20, 1998. To **Veronica Trach Vitari '83** and Anthony Vitari, a son, Nicolas Anthony, June 26, 1998. To **Katherine Rudzinkas Adomitis '84** and Andy Adomitis, a son, Callen James, July 9, 1998. To **Thomas Heinricher '84** and **Laurie Moyer Heinricher '85, M'86**, an adopted son, Peter James, October 7, 1998, born January 28, 1998. To **Christine Carosa Piccioni '84** and George Piccioni, a son, Gabriel George, June 18, 1998. To **Anita Fisanich Foster '85** and Ken Foster, a son, Jordan Ryan, June 14, 1998. To

Alexander Shane, February 2, 1998. To **Richard Betts '86** and **Pamela Weisgarber Betts '87**, a son, Ian Richard, August 18, 1998. To **Donna Bogdewiecz Bowser '86** and William Bowser, a daughter, Eva Grace, July 30, 1998. To **Cheryl Freeman Fukumoto '86** and Paul Fukumoto, a son, Kyle Isamu, August 21, 1998. To **Debra Keeney Gressel '86** and Mark Gressel, a daughter, Lauryn Bradley, November 16, 1996, and a son, Brendan Chapman, June 20, 1998. To **Elizabeth Bianco Jenkins '86** and Russ Jenkins, a son, Benjamin Robert, June 7, 1998. To **Cynthia Carr Winkles '86** and Gregory Winkles, a daughter, Alexis Elizabeth, February 26, 1998. To **Jill Felton Algarin '87** and John Algarin, a son, Joshua James, August 5, 1998. To **Susan Hall Holderer '87** and David Holderer, a daughter, Jerri Dorothy, June 4, 1998. To **David Mastovich '87, M'92** and Darlene Mastovich, a son, Brevin Milan, September 28, 1998. To **Sue Ann Rykaceski Papst '87** and Edward Papst, a son, Alexander Edward, January 19, 1996, and a son, Evan Hunter, June 12, 1998. To **Lucy Sgrignoli '87** and Jeff Lunsford, a son, Mitchell Scott, October

## Women's Basketball

January 20, at Edinboro, 6:00 p.m.  
January 23, California, 6:00 p.m.  
January 27, at Lock Haven, 6:00 p.m.  
January 30, at Bloomsburg, 2:00 p.m.  
February 3, at Shippensburg, 6:00 p.m.  
February 6, at Slippery Rock, 6:00 p.m.  
February 10, Edinboro, 6:00 p.m.  
February 13, Clarion, 6:00 p.m.  
February 17, Lock Haven, 6:00 p.m.  
February 20, at California, 6:00 p.m.

## Softball

March 7 through 12, at Rebel Spring Games, Orlando, Fla.  
March 19 through 21, at University of Charleston Tournament  
March 27, at Lock Haven, 1:00 p.m.  
March 28, at Ashland, 1:00 p.m.  
March 31, Slippery Rock, 3:00 p.m.  
April 3, Edinboro, 1:00 p.m.  
April 6, at Clarion, 3:00 p.m.  
April 10, California, 1:00 p.m.  
April 14, Lock Haven, 3:00 p.m.  
April 16, at Mercyhurst, 3:00 p.m.  
April 17, at Slippery Rock, 1:00 p.m.  
April 18, Kutztown, 1:00 p.m.  
April 20, at Edinboro, 3:00 p.m.  
April 22, Clarion, 3:00 p.m.  
April 24, at California, 1:00 p.m.

## Swimming

January 20, at Slippery Rock, 5:00 p.m.  
January 23, at Salem-Teikyo/West Virginia Wesleyan, 1:00 p.m.  
January 30, Bloomsburg, 2:00 p.m.  
February 5, at Edinboro, 5:00 p.m.

## Track

February 6, at Kent State Invitational  
February 27, at Slippery Rock Relays  
March 20, at North Carolina Invitational  
March 27, at Susquehanna Invitational  
April 3, at Carnegie Mellon Invitational  
April 10, IUP Quadrangular Meet  
April 17, at Clarion Quadrangular Meet.  
April 22-24, at Penn Relays, Philadelphia, Pa.  
April 24, at Baldwin-Wallace Invitational  
May 1, IUP Open

14, 1998. To **Laurie Slenker Stauffer '87** and David Stauffer, a daughter, Elena Makendra, September 12, 1998. To **Jolene Calderwood Umholtz '87, M'94** and Richard Umholtz, a son, Seth Winfield, March 14, 1996, and a daughter, Paige LeeAnn, October 5, 1998. To **Gretchen Fell Christino '88** and **Scott Christino '88**, a daughter, Allison Elizabeth, October 15, 1998. To **Andrew Haberberger '88** and Jennifer Ross, a daughter, Rosaleigh Elizabeth, October 1, 1998. To **Joseph Lepo '88** and Melanie Lepo, a daughter, Monica Desiree, September 3, 1997, and a son, Richard ("Gage"), August 18, 1998. To **Patrick Miller '88** and Barbara Miller, a son, Evan Patrick, June 6, 1998. To **Dan Nicholls '88** and Mandy Nicholls, a daughter, Kelsey Rae, October 13, 1998.

To **Robin Vish Steinberg '88** and Brian Steinberg, a son, Benjamin Daniel, September 20, 1998. To **Maureen Fitzpatrick Beck '89, M'96** and Harry Beck, a son, Harry Andrew, August 4, 1998. To **Linda Winiarski Hoover '89** and Steve Hoover, a daughter, Laura Elizabeth, September 9, 1998. To **Wendy Kitterman Kruh '89** and William Kruh, a son, Shane William, July 13, 1998.

## 1990s

To **Deborah Ansman Anderson '90** and **John Anderson '90, M'92**, a son, Kirklin Marshall, January 5, 1998. To **Jennifer Gironda Coposky '90** and Glenn Coposky, a son, Dylan Zane, November 16, 1996, and a son, Wyatt Mitchell, October 9, 1998. To **Elizabeth Freeman Crow '90** and Brad Crow, a son, Nolan

# Class Notes

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**Enjoying Jennifer's Wedding:** Friends who attended the wedding of Jennifer St. Clair Bonnet '89 and her husband, Michael, of Pittsburgh included, in front, Cathy Rentko Forney '79 and, standing, John Forney '80, Sherry Jones '87, the bride, Linda Peel '90, and Catherine Flesca Hall '90.

Richard, June 3, 1998. To **Rebecca Scott Johns '90** and Harry Johns, a daughter, Rachel Elizabeth, August 24, 1998. To **Renee Gault Jones '90** and Harry Jones, a daughter, Sierra Rose, September 28, 1998. To **Joseph Theobald '91** and **Misty Scott Theobald '95**, a daughter, Emily Jean, October 17, 1998. To **Darrin Wissinger '91** and **Kristin Vargo Wissinger '91**, a son, Hayden Robert, July 1, 1998. To **Paige Painter Boyer '92** and **Corey Boyer '95**, a daughter, Esme Beyeler, May 28, 1998. To **Gina Battaglia Coulson '92** and **Scott Coulson '95**, a son, Noah William, April 17, 1998. To **Gwynn Beyer Gibbons '92** and David Gibbons, a daughter, Abigail Lynn, April 11, 1998. To **Marla Williard Pelkofer '92** and Rick Pelkofer, a son, Garrett Matthew, August 16, 1998. To **Michele Holden Rollman '92** and **Sean Rollman '92**, a son, Justin Monroe, October 13, 1998. To **Tracy Pluchinsky Stutzman '92** and Kevin Stutzman, a son, Braden Zack, July 23, 1998. To **Jennifer Chandler Zechman '92** and Scott Zechman, a daughter, Lauren Nicole, August 25, 1998. To **Patrick Gallucci '93** and **Kathleen McKee Gallucci '94**, a son, Thomas Pasquale, April 7, 1998. To **Kathy Schlanger Marsico '93** and Dean Marsico, a son, Michael Paul, January 12, 1998. To **Kerry Clark McConnell '93** and Craig McConnell, a son, Kory Dean, June 19, 1998. To **John Namey '93** and Wendi Namey, a daughter, Sidney Kayt, October 9, 1998. To **Brenda Butler Robison '93** and Brian Robison, a son, Curtis Jacob, August 14, 1998. To **Stephen Spratt '93** and **Crista**

**Chambers Spratt '94**, a daughter, Olivia Catherine, February 28, 1998. To **Paul Hale '94** and Jennifer Hale, a daughter, Kendra Lyn, August 30, 1998. To **Michelle Bowers Harada '94** and Ted Harada, a son, Theodore Joseph, April 27, 1998. To **Carina Schnur Shay '94** and **Steven Shay '94**, M'98, a son, Tyler Steven, August 23, 1998. To **Brian Walker '94** and **Jill Ciano Walker '94**, a daughter, Allison Patricia, August 25, 1998. To **Amy Haller Gutshall '95** and **Michael Gutshall '95**, a daughter, Maddison, August 3, 1998. To **Roger Hill '95** and **Amy Kurtz Hill '95**, a son, Taylor Grant, October 20, 1993, and a daughter, Olivia Lee, October 21, 1998.

## Marriages

### 1970s

**Nancy Fox '70** to David Scott, December 5, 1998. **Patricia Dziak '78** to Richard Peltz, April 4, 1997. **James Tonrey '78** to **Mary Ann Anthony '80**, August 23, 1997.

### 1980s

**Susan Fritz '80** to Richard Clark, August

1, 1998. **Stephen Tribble '83** to **Gail Smolic '84**, July 4, 1998. **Kathleen Connelly '85**, M'92 to Bruce Tobin, July 4, 1998. **Diane Carlson '87** to Matt Cullen, October 10, 1998. **Barbara Plant '88** to Michael Albertone, October 31, 1998. **Jennifer St. Clair '89** to Michael Bonnet, November 15, 1997.

### 1990s

**Michelle Bedont '90** to Jeff King, April 11, 1998. **Karen Deemer '90** to Mark Paddison, July 18, 1998. **Brian Kovalovsky '90** to Angelica Bernardi, August 1, 1998. **William August '91** to **Carmen Hranica '93**, July 20, 1996. **Kristen Karolski '91** to Daniel Lucas, September 4, 1998. **Bryan Shoemaker '91** to **Lee Ann Chuba '93**, M'94, May 2, 1998. **Diane Farrell '92** to Matthew Milanak, July 25, 1998. **Dana Lloyd '92** to William Pugh, June 14, 1997. **Forrest Mahon '92** to Donna Kenworthy, November 28, 1998. **Jamie Mest '92** to Paul Dwornik, October 24, 1998. **Julie Roxby '92** to Darren Rose, May 9, 1998. **Jody Yavorka '92** to Dominic Gilardi, June 13, 1998. **Kristi Parker '93** to Steve McCormick, October 24, 1998. **Pam Strausser '93** to Marc Rubinstein, June 15, 1998. **Nicole Conn '94** to Clayton

Niles, July 18, 1998. **Derek Conner '94** to **Julie Lamoureux '94**, December 31, 1998. **Eric Cooke '94** to **Laurie Hertig '94**, M'96, June 15, 1996. **Diane Richie '94** to James Sheets, August 8, 1998. **Jennifer Simpson '94** to Keith Howard, October 17, 1998. **Laura Treichler '94** to Gene Basara, September 26, 1998. **Andrea Berresford '95** to Ivan Mulligan, June 21, 1997. **Jonathan Green '95** to **Jennifer Terraforte '96**, May 30, 1998. **Michael Gutshall '95** to **Amy Haller '95**, June 7, 1998. **Sherri Mihalsky '95** to Justin Huffman, July 18, 1998. **Brian Simpson '95** to **Wendy Burns '97**, July 11, 1998. **Beverly Leggens '96** to Brian Nestor, May 16, 1998. **Christine Lehnert '96** to James Haugh, September 12, 1998. **Jonelle Zubovic '96** to **Michael Hanawalt M'98**, September 26, 1998. **Heather Lee Norris '97** to Daniel Dobson, October 17, 1998. **Maribeth Tarpley '97** to Dennis Garrett, June 27, 1998.

## Deaths

**1919:** Elsie Bendle Davis.

**1926:** Margaret North Bush, Anne Graham Jamison. **1928:** Walter Patterson. **1929:** Bernice Sunderlin Rowe.

**1931:** Charlotte Simpson. **1932:** Clifford Buterbaugh, Marion Botsford Gibson. **1934:** Clair Cogan, Woodrow Phillippi. **1938:** Helen Stahl.

**1940:** Ruthodel Bond Griffith. **1941:** James Heilman. **1947:** Thomas Peron.

**1951:** Dale Winchester. **1953:** Norman Cornell, Joyce Latshaw Mills, Jean Johnson Slenker. **1959:** Joseph Hojak, William Sinclair.

**1960:** Iris Schneider. **1967:** Patricia Slupek. **1968:** Leslie (Chip) Vickers.

**1972:** Paul Barber. **1976:** David Hamernick. **1977:** Ronald Paich.

**1981:** David Fullerton. **1988:** Patricia Stossel Buterbaugh.

\*Faculty or staff member or former faculty or staff member

### Other Deaths

**Robert Jacobs**, a faculty member in the IUP Psychology Department from 1967 to 1991, died June 8, 1998.

**Cleo McCracken**, an administrator at the university from 1967 to 1982, died August 5, 1998.

**Paul Prince**, a professor in the Geoscience Department from 1962 to 1991, died July 26, 1998.

## BOOKENDS

Clark McKowen's seventh book, *Teaching Human Beings: The Role of Language in Education*, was published by Laurel Mountain Press. A member of the Class of 1951, McKowen is a former English faculty member of Diablo Valley College in California. He now lives in Ligonier, Pa. His other works deal largely with education and language.

*Teaching Human Beings* is a resource for teachers, parents, or anyone in a teaching/learning situation. It is a comprehensive philosophy of education that places the spirit of each human being at the center. Writes the author, "It's all about empowering the learner."

David Brown '75 has completed another pictorial history of military aircraft. *Tomcat Alley: A Photographic Roll Call of the Grumman F-14 Tomcat* was released by Schiffer Publishing. A police officer in York County, Pennsylvania, Brown also is the author of *Birds of Prey*, which was featured in a previous issue of IUP Magazine. *Tomcats Forever*, and *F-16 Fighting Falcons*. He is a correspondent for *Air Forces Monthly* magazine and came to campus in the fall semester to speak to the Student Photography Association.

*Among the most important things you can do to start the new year are giving your support to IUP and helping sustain the impact of the very successful "Into the 21st Century" campaign. Your gift will help keep our library current; our facilities attractive, safe, and serviceable; our classrooms, laboratories, and studios up-to-date; and most important, provide scholarship support for IUP students.*



## Top row, left to right:

**1** Ken is wearing a crimson Legacy hat with gray IUP and football. Adjustable, \$19.95 sku #13469. Oxford sweatshirt with tackle twill IUP and embroidered Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Also available in crimson with gray embroidery. **Available in S, M, L, XL \$40.95 sku #13203, XXL \$43.95 sku #13204. Large IUP foam football. \$7.25 sku #11460.**

**2** Molly is wearing a crimson sweatshirt with arched Indiana University of Pennsylvania and IUP, also available in gray with navy embroidery and crimson IUP. **S, M, L, XL \$40.95 sku #13201, XXL \$43.95 sku #13202.**

**3** Missy is wearing a gray sweatshirt with maroon tackle twill Indiana and embroidered Indiana University of Pennsylvania, also available in navy and maroon. **Available in S, M, L, XL \$44.95 sku #13198, XXL \$46.95 sku #13199.**

## Favorites ore

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**Susan Fritz '80** to Richard Clark, August

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**David Brown '75** has completed another pictorial history of military aircraft. *Roll Call of the Grumman F-14 Tomcat* was released by Schiffer Publishing. Brown also is the author of *Birds of Prey*, which was featured in *Aviation* Magazine, *Tomcats Forever*, and *F-16 Fighting Falcons*. He is a columnist for the magazine and came to campus in the fall semester to speak to the

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# Long on Longevity

By Bob Fulton

*Distance runners know all about endurance.*

It's what enabled Ed Fry to earn six letters in cross country and track and field at DePaul University; to win a submasters Olympic 10,000-meter race against competitors from thirty-three nations in 1975; to finish seventeenth in the prestigious New York City Marathon three years later.

Endurance of a sort has also secured for Fry a notable distinction: He boasts the longest tenure of any active head coach at IUP. Fry's reign of twenty-three years ranks him second all-time alongside Tom Campisano and Vince Celtnieks and behind only the venerable George Miller, whose service to the university spanned thirty-four years.

What sets Fry apart from the others is his staggering workload. He coaches not one team, not two, but *four*: men's and women's cross country and men's and women's track. That's in addition to his classroom responsibilities as a member of the music faculty.

Fry has been coaching and teaching at IUP since the fall of 1966, with the exception of a year's hiatus to attend graduate school in Wisconsin. Which begs the question, What's kept him here so long?

"The kids, more than anything," he replies. "I love working with them, both music and athletics." His passion for teaching—whether at a piano or on a track—has never waned.

Fry is as enthusiastic in his thirty-second year on

campus as he was in his first. He's nearly as active, too. At an age when most men confine their physical activity to lugging trash to the curb once a week, Fry embarks on daily training runs with his women's teams.

"He's just a high-energy type of person—has been all of his life," says former men's cross country and track coach Lou Sutton, who ranks sixth on the all-time IUP list. "Who in his right mind would come down here and swim laps at six in the morning, teach a full day of classes, then go out and coach every day at four? He doesn't show any signs of wearing out. He's like the Energizer bunny. He just keeps going."

In fact, a visitor to Fry's claustrophobic Cogswell Hall office might wonder where he's stashed the costume with the scarlet "S" stitched on the breast. This soft-spoken, mild-mannered, unassuming, bespectacled Clark Kent clone must be a Superman to juggle the demands of teaching and directing four nationally prominent programs.

"Nobody else at IUP coaches four sports," says track assistant Bob Raemore, whose own tenure stretches back to 1972, when he joined Sutton's staff. "It really is a lot of work. Especially for Ed,



because he's really concerned about all the athletes, not only athletically, but personally. He's always willing to go the next step to help them."

Surprisingly, Fry once took steps to rid folks of their hard-earned cash. Legally, of course. He was operating the money room at Arlington Park, a horse racing venue in suburban Chicago, when he learned of a vacancy on the music faculty at IUP.

"After work, I drove all night, auditioned in the morning, got the job, and drove back to finish my job at the race track," Fry recalls. "The last day I worked there, three guys didn't show up for work, and I was there all by myself. The race track set a record for handling of money. I handled over \$2 million."

His horse racing days behind him, Fry turned to racing of another kind. He signed on as IUP's assistant cross country coach and lavished his charges with personal attention. A simple matter, really, for the squad consisted of merely four runners. Fry quickly recruited a fifth so IUP at least had sufficient number to compete as a team.

In only his second year on campus, he was promoted to head coach of the men's track squad. But a dispute over pay (or, more accurately, the lack of it) prompted Fry to abandon head coaching, at least until the spring of 1978, when he launched the women's track program. Fry inaugurated women's cross country in 1979 and later accepted the reins of the men's track and cross country programs.

He's now the dean not only of IUP coaches, but of Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference cross country and track coaches. Fry's longevity is such that he's taken a second generation of athletes under his wing. Case in point: junior sprinter Marc Augustine, whose father, Bob, ran cross country under Sutton and Fry.

**I think what's neat is seeing somebody who was nowhere when they started here progress and become a real contender by the time they're a senior**

"I was up at the conference cross country meet in October, working as a referee, and I was looking around for the old-timers," says Sutton. "They were few and far between. In the whole conference there's not anybody in either track or cross country who has been around as long as Ed. He's a rare breed indeed."

To put his service to the university in perspective, consider this: By the close of this semester Fry will have coached women's track for twenty-two seasons, women's cross country for twenty, men's track for thirteen, and men's cross country for eleven. Add to that twenty-one years as an assistant coach in men's cross country and nineteen as a men's track assistant. Grand total: 106 seasons. And, that doesn't even take into account IUP's indoor track program.

Clearly, coaching keeps Fry busier than a White House spin doctor.

His phenomenal investment in time has paid the sort of dividends that would make a stockbroker giddy. For example, the women's cross country team has claimed eight PSAC championships and is a perennial occupant of the NCAA Division II top ten; the 1985 squad, led by Tammy Donnelly, placed third at nationals, the highest finish by any of Fry's teams.

Overall, he's produced sixty-eight All-Americans as a head coach and five national champions, all in track: Donnelly (10,000-meter run, 1986), Bob Babiak (decathlon, 1990), Jeff Neral (javelin, 1990), Alan Pugh (discus, 1992), and Bob Vranich (javelin, 1993).

Yet, when Fry is asked to mentally rewind the tape of his years as a head coach and select highlights, he fast-forwards past the obvious success stories and cites some unexpected ones.

"I think what's neat is seeing somebody who was nowhere when they started here progress and become a real contender by the time they're a senior," says Fry, a 1996 inductee into the DePaul Athletic Hall of Fame.

"Or, having someone come in who never even made it to states in high school

# Long-running Coaches

Years*	First	Last
34 <b>GEORGE MILLER</b> football, men's basketball, men's swimming, golf, baseball	1927-28	1960-61
23 <b>ED FRY</b> men's and women's cross country; men's and women's track and field	1967-68	???
23 <b>TOM CAMPISANO</b> rifle	1967-68	1989-90
23 <b>VINCE CELTNIKS</b> men's soccer, men's tennis	1969-70	1991-92
22 <b>LEW SHAFFER</b> wrestling	1946-47	1967-68
20 <b>LOU SUTTON</b> men's cross country, men's track and field	1968-69	1987-88
20 <b>KOFIE MONTGOMERY</b> women's swimming, field hockey	1976-77	1995-96
17 <b>BILL BLACKSMITH</b> wrestling	1968-69	1984-85
17 <b>ED SLONIGER</b> golf	1969-70	1985-86
16 <b>PECK MCKNIGHT</b> men's basketball, football	1947-48	1962-63
16 <b>NANCY BARTHELEMY</b> fencing, women's volleyball	1971-72	1986-87

\*Total academic years spent as head coach

NOTE: Years listed are not necessarily consecutive

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end up being an All American or national champion in college. I've had a few of those."

Brian Spickler, who finished fifth in the decathlon at last year's Division II meet, comes to mind. "I don't think he did anything in high school," says Raemore. "He was an average or below average track and field athlete. And, he wound up being an All American."


That's a testament to the magic Fry works at IUP. Small wonder he's become an institution at the institution he's served with distinction for thirty-two years. The question is, how many more years will Fry devote to his four teams?

How much longer can this man of endurance maintain

such a blistering pace?

"I don't have an answer, but I think about it every day," he says. "The things that make you want to keep coming back are the successes of the kids."

Given that Fry has coached more All Americans and individual national champions than anyone in school history, he's bound to stick around for awhile. In fact, Fry might just keep running until he catches that ghostly figure far off in the distance.

George Miller personified longevity at IUP. But Ed Fry is gaining on him. 

## Running in Place

Had their programs not been discontinued as varsity sports, Vince Celtnieks and Tom Campisano would today be challenging a legend, by George.

Campisano has coached rifle at IUP since 1967; Celtnieks has coached men's soccer since 1969. But they're not nearing George Miller's school record of thirty-four years as a head coach, because rifle and soccer have since been relegated to club status. Along with Ed Fry, they rank a distant second to Miller with twenty-three years' service.

"I wish, for the students' sake, that I was a close second, because that would mean there were still varsity soccer," said Celtnieks, who also coached men's tennis, another victim of the cutbacks of 1991.

Had the axe not fallen eight years ago, Celtnieks and Camp-

isano would now be threatening the indefatigable Miller, who coached football, basketball, track, swimming, and golf while doubling as a teacher and athletic director.

"I knew George, and I knew his family," says Campisano, who directed IUP to several top ten finishes nationally in rifle. "I also had him as a teacher—he taught a couple of classes I took."

Campisano used to shoot for IUP and, after exhausting his eligibility, actually ran the program as an undergraduate when it operated without an official coach for two years. Include those seasons along with his time as a varsity and club coach, and Campisano's years of service total thirty-four. Which means the pupil has at last drawn even with the teacher.

—Bob Fulton



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Tom Campisano with his grandson, Vincent

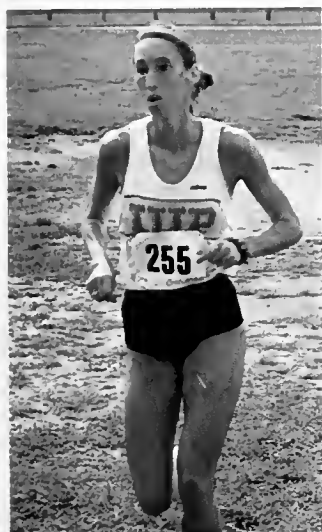


Vince Celtnieks

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# IUP

**F**ranks Cignetti '60 followed the worst season of his IUP coaching career with one of his best last fall. A year removed from a dispiriting 5-5 campaign, Cignetti steered the Indians to a 10-2 record and an NCAA Division II playoff berth, the school's ninth since 1987. "You've got to be satisfied," said Cignetti of his team's turnaround. "The playoff game was a major disappointment, but you've got to separate that from a 10-1 regular season."



Kerri McIntyre

Shepherd College provided a jarring climax to IUP's post-season participation by securing a 9-6 first-round victory. The pivotal play occurred with 1:47 remaining, after tight end **Chad Ames** hauled in a touchdown pass from quarterback **Paul Failla** to cut the deficit to 7-6 and ignite the Miller Stadium crowd. Euphoria yielded to despair moments later when Shepherd blocked the extra point attempt and returned it for a two-point defensive conversion. The bad news: IUP has now gone four seasons without a playoff victory. The good news: The Indians, ranked eighth in the final Division II poll, will reload rather than rebuild this year. "I feel very

good about the players we have returning," said Cignetti. "There's an outstanding group coming back." Which suggests that one of Cignetti's best seasons could augur an even better one this fall.

Three players instrumental in the football program's return to national prominence—offensive tackle **Blaine Mensch**, defensive end **Eric Neff**, and cornerback **Barry Threats**—earned first-team honors on the All-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference squad. Threats also landed a second-team berth as a return specialist, joining guard **Leander Jordan**, wide receiver **Lewis Hicks**, running backs **Tink Stennett** and **Terrance Wilson**, linebacker **Phillip Woods**, cornerback **Grandvill Taylor**, and defensive end **Roger Wilson**. The latter led the conference in sacks (12), the only IUP player to win a PSAC statistical title.

Senior **Kerri McIntyre** earned All-America honors by finishing eighth at the NCAA Division II women's cross country meet in Lawrence, Kan. McIntyre ran the 6,000-meter course in 22:09, only twenty-six seconds behind champion Kimberly Bugg of Adams State. The Indians of coach **Ed Fry** placed ninth as a team, matching the program's third-best finish ever.

Fry's long-time compatriot, **Lou Sutton**, retired this month after more than thirty years as a member of the health and physical education faculty. Sutton coached men's cross country for twenty seasons and men's track and field for twelve. His cross country teams finished in the top ten at nationals on nine occasions, highlighted by a third-place performance in 1977.

**Noelle Bowman** became the first player in IUP history to earn first-team National Field Hockey Coaches Association Division II All-America honors. Bowman led the Indians of coach **Missy Moran** with eight goals and eighteen points. "I didn't expect this at all," said the senior center forward, who also plays lacrosse under Moran. "It was a big sur-

# Name Droppers

By Bob Fulton

prise." Bowman's efforts brought her two other prestigious honors: She participated in the NFHCA Division II All-Star game and was invited to the United States Field Hockey Association A-Camp tryouts, which determine the composition of the national team.

**Petra Adamkova**, a native of the Czech Republic, has not only enhanced the swimming program's international flavor; she's made an immediate impact in the pool. In her very first meet, Adamkova qualified for nationals in the 50 and 100 freestyle. New head coach **Matt Tallman** hopes she replicates the rousing debut of Denmark's **Nikolaj Boest**, who earned All-America honors last year as a freshman. The rookie class also includes **Ryan Postas**, whose father, Neil, was IUP's first swimming All-American in 1973. Tallman, by the way, succeeds **Peter Ward**, who accepted a coaching position at George Mason University.

**Molly Carr**, who carried a perfect 4.0 grade-point average into her senior year, helped two IUP teams gain national recognition academically during the 1997-98 school year. The softball squad ranked ninth in Division II based on cumulative GPA, according to the National Fast-Pitch Coaches Association. Carr, who plays shortstop for coach **Sue Snyder**, was named an All-America Scholar-Athlete along with **Amy Shortall '98**, **Laura Krapsho '98**, **Mandy Sadowski**, **Marissa Dugan**, and **Karli Kapolka**. Also, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association announced that IUP ranked sixth nationally with a collective GPA of 3.419. Carr plays guard for coach **Sandy Thomas**.

**Liz Campedel** wrapped up her soccer career in style by leading the PSAC in goals (13) and ranking fourth in points per game (1.63). The senior forward was a second-team all-conference selection.

The men's rugby squad, one of the premier club programs on campus, finished third at the USA Rugby Union Midwest Collegiate Championships in Champaign, Ill., despite challenging much larger schools. After losing to Ohio State in the semifinals, IUP whipped Bowling Green 33-15 to close out a 7-3-1 season. "An Ohio State assistant coach asked me how many kids go to IUP," said coach **Larry Bouma**. "I told him, 'About 13,000.' He said, 'How do you do it? How do you compete with these teams that are here?' I said, 'Two things: players and coaching.' I believe we can play with any team in the country." The Indians, who narrowly missed a berth at nationals, were led this season by junior All-American **Brian Taylor**.



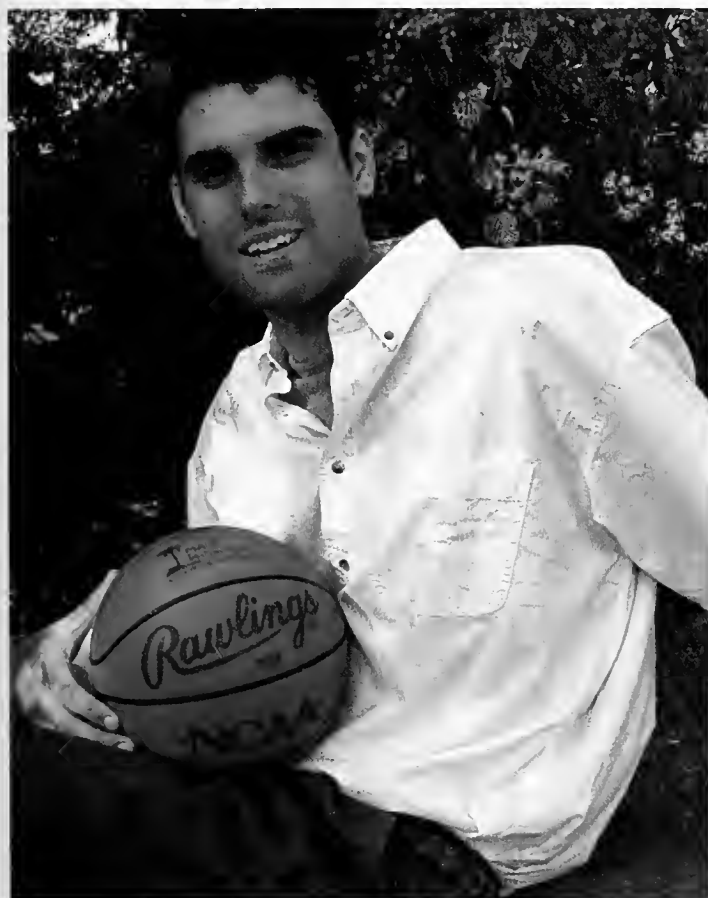


Andrew Cramer, right, with  
head coach Gary Edwards

# Northern Exposure

*More than a century after James Naismith invented the game of basketball, fellow Canadian Grahame Cummins arrived at IUP, bearing twin distinctions.*

**By Bob Fulton**



John Bender

**C**ummins is not only the first foreign-born player in the program's history, he's the tallest. Which could well explain another distinction: The six-foot-eleven junior center views ice hockey the way Schroder views Lucy: with utter indifference. What's this? A Canadian who doesn't fancy hockey? Why, that's like a Barrymore who doesn't act.

"I never played the game, and I have no interest in it," says Cummins, an agnostic from a land of zealots who worship before an icy altar. "It's obviously a physical thing, because if you put me on skates, they'll go for the knees. The sport just never interested me. When I tell people from around here, they're surprised. They give me the third degree on why I should like hockey."

Fact is, Cummins didn't even like basketball at one time. Though he was the tallest student at Mitchell District High School in rural Mitchell, Ont., located about ninety miles west of Toronto, Cummins was reluctant to try out for the team. His father, Patrick, originally provided the necessary nudge.

"I actually used a little coercion," explains Lew Anjema, Cummins's coach at Mitchell. "I told his dad, 'He's a big, tall boy and we'd like to have

him in our basketball program. Is there anything you can do?' He just told me, 'He'll be there.' That's how we got him started."

Progress came at a glacial pace initially.

"When you're fifteen years old and you're six foot eight, you have no coordination to save your life," says Cummins, a history major. "I was terrible. I'd trip over half court. But I kept working, and gradually I got better. Eventually, my coordination and skills caught up with my size."

Cummins grew to love the game and earned five letters at Mitchell (Canadians spend an extra year in high school) before enrolling at Division I Western Michigan University, where he experienced what Anjema termed "basketball culture shock."

"Coming out of high school, I had this self-image of being this great player," Cummins recalls. "But I found out pretty quick otherwise. I'll never forget the first scrimmage we had. I was playing against Ben Handlogten, who eventually tried out for the Pistons. He goes, 'Are you ready?' I just laughed at him and said, 'Are *you* ready?' I was six ten, 196 pounds. He was six nine, 255. I figure, he's big, I'm quick. Well, he was big *and* quick. I got my butt handed to me. It took five years for my confidence to get that high, and in one practice it was shot. The game down here's so much faster, so much more aggressive. It just blew my mind."

He redshirted his first year at WMU, played sparingly his second, then decided to transfer. Cummins halted his search for a new school after visiting IUP, where he found a close-knit team and coaches who regarded him as more than an athletic commodity. Not to mention an abundance of good-natured barbs about his nationality.

"The guys rag me a little because I'm a Canadian—do I live in an igloo and such," he says. "But I don't think from their standpoint it really matters where you're from."

What rankles Cummins are misconceptions about Canada by Americans whose ignorance of their neighbor to the north is no laughing matter. In fact, it's downright appalling.

"I'm in shock," he says. "One of my friends on campus asked me, 'Do we [the United States] own Ontario?' Someone else asked, 'Is our president your president?' It's amazing some of the things you hear. What I find strange is that people on the team do know about Canada. They know there's a prime minister. They know Ontario's not a part of the United States."

Cummins educates fellow students about his homeland at every opportunity, proving his value to IUP transcends basketball. In fact, the school's first foreign import has fit in so well that others are certain to follow.

"I'd like to try to expand our international recruiting," says coach Gary Edwards. "With budgets and things it's real tough, because we really don't have the money to fly too far. But Canada's close, so that's a good, fertile recruiting ground for us."

Edwards might find more players north of the border, but he could search with all the diligence of Diogenes, from British Columbia in the west to Newfoundland in the east, and never locate another player quite like Grahame Cummins.

After all, what are the odds of finding another Canadian who turns up his nose at hockey? 🐻

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